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Camp near Pensecola
Major Genl. Andrew Jackson 8th Novr 1814

Sir,

Pursuant to orders recd from the Adjutant General, making disposition of the troops for Storming Pensacola on the 7th Instant, my Brigade was disposed of as follows, —

five hundred dismounted gunmen under the command of Col Thos. William, Lt Col Geo Smith and Major Motton formed the right column and marched with its front even with the front of the center column, —

five hundred mounted gunmen under the command of Lt Col Jas Lauderdale, Lt Col Geo Elliott ~~marched~~ ~~in two columns in the rear of the whole~~ Lt Col J. H. Gibson, and Major Mitchell, marched in ~~the rear~~ two columns in the rear of the whole

Lt Bean company of Spies, were posted at the old Fort, ~~and kept up~~ to keep up a constant

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fire of Rifles and musketry on the ~~fort~~ Spanish fort, and divert the attention of the enemy from the movement of the main Army —

The balance of my Brigade, under the command of Major Kavanaugh was ordered to remain and protect the camp and Baggage during the day and untill the return of the main body of the troops —

Whilst encircling the town under cover of the forest, and about the time the front reached the open ground in view of the town, I recd. information from Lt. Bean that the enemy were advancing from the fort against his command. — I immediately sent Lt. Col Lauderdale and Lt. Col Elliott with two hundred men back to his assistance, who very soon drove the enemy into his strong hold and kept him there during the balance of the day — *

I have only to remark that the whole of my command ~~behaved~~ acted their several parts well, at the same moment the ~~enter~~

column entered the street, where the enemy cannon was planted and firing — the right column ~~headed~~ lead on by Col Williamson & Lt. Col Smith entered the main ~~street that~~ lead to the Governors office and charged with a firmness ~~[illegible]~~ that would have done honor to veterans, and untill Col Williamson, ~~and~~ met and recd the Governors flag praying quarters —

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* Just as the front was about to enter the town, I recd orders, to form ~~[illegible]~~ the mounted gunmen at the brow of the hill above town at the edge of the open ground, in view of the town, the British Shipping, and the Spanish fort, and await further orders, which was complied with, and remained there, untill the surrender ~~of the town~~, when I was ordered to mount them into town, —

Jno Coffee
Brig. Genl.

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Column entered the Fort where the enemy
cannon was placed, and ^and Spies the right column being
lead on by Col. Williamson & Col. Smith entered
the main street that lead to the Governors house
and charged with ^alacrity that would have
done honor to veterans, and until Col. Williamson
... out and met the Governor flag—

... greater

8th Nov.: 1814 Brigade
Report of the troops attack
on the 7th Nov.: 1814 on Pensacola

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... part of the front was about to enter the
town I had orders to ^form the mounted
... on the top of the hill above town
at the edge of the open wood in view of the
town, the Battalion & Infantry and the ...
... ordered ... when I ... on
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... when I was ordered to
march them ...

Jno. Coffee
Brig. Genl.

Mobile Point
8 Novr. 1814

Sir

Am informed that there is twenty thousand dollars deposited in the hands of the District Paymaster for the purpose of Recruiting for this Regiment, believing that there will be some of the Officers Ordered on that duty, have to request you to let me be one of them, as my Opinion of Discipline so much differs with the Officers of the Regiment, that I am (almost in every attempt that I make to drill) Opposed in it which makes my time very unpleasant and disagreeable, much as I dislike the Recruiting Service, would prefer it, to doing duty in the Regiment with them. it is my wish, if it meets your approbation, to transfer my Company

I have the honor Sir to be
Respectfully
yr. mo. ob. Sert.
Wm. Miller Capt.
2d Regt. Infr.

Majr. Genl.
Andrew Jackson
Commanding
Seventh Military District
Fort Montgomery
Mississippi Territory

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Major Genl. A. Jackson   Fort Fayette 8 Nov. 1814

7th Mil. Dist.

Sir I have the honor to inform you that agreeably to the orders of The Honble the Secy. of War – I have caused to be delivered over to the Q. Master Dept. 5000 Stand Arms with accoutrements Flints &c. and 500000 Musket Cartridges to be forwarded with the least possible delay to Baton Rouge which Place I presume they will reach in 20 a 23 days from this date –

The Secy. of War is desirous of having in addition to the above mentioned Arms &c. 4 a 5000 Stand Arms forwd. to Baton Rouge, As many more will be forwarded as our Deposite at Franklinton Ohio will afford and measures will be taken to have them forwd. as soon as possible. —

In addition I have been directed that if from

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any information I might suppose any more Artillery would be serviceable in your quarter I would forward such as could be spared and of the Calibers and kind I might Judge advisable.

I shall have it in my Power to forward you on the receipt of an order from you any Artillery ordnance Stores and Equipments you may require and if the Navigation will permit they will reach you by Mid winter—.

I have the honor to be your
Very obt. Servt.
A. R. Woolley
Depy. Comy. of Ordnance
Commanding

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Major Genl A Jackson

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Fort Fayette 8th Novr 1814.

Majr Genl. A. Jackson,
7th Mil District — Sir — I have the honor to inform you that agreeably to the orders of the Honble the Secy of War, I have caused to be delivered over to the Quarter Masters Department, 5000 stand arms with accoutrements, Flints &c and 300000 Musket Cartridges to be forwarded with the least possible delay to Baton Rouge which place I presume they will reach in 20 or 28 days from this date.

The Secy of war is desirous of having in addition to the above mentioned arms &c 4 a 5000 stands forwarded to Baton Rouge, as many more be forwarded as our depout at Franklinton Ohio will afford, and means will be taken to have them forwarded as soon possible.

In addition, I have been directed, that if from any information I might suppose any more Artillery would be serviceable in your Quarter I should forward such as could be spared and of the Calibers and kind I might judge advisable.

I shall have it in my power to forward you on the receipt of an order from you any Artillery

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Ordnance Stores and Equipments you may require, and if the navigation will permit they will reach you by mid winter.

I have the honor to be your very obt. Servt.

(Signed) Ab. R. Woolley

Dpy. Comy. of Ordnance

Commanding

Inspecting

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Baton Rouge
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For 25
Major Genl. A. Jackson ~~12½~~ 37½
Jellie Dere
N. Orleans
~~Baton Rouge~~

A R Woodbery
8 Nov. 1814

Baton Rouge

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For 25

Major Genl. A. Jackson

~~Fellici Dine~~

New Orleans

~~Baton Rouge~~

8 Nov. 1814

Fort Hayter, 8th Nov. 1814

Major Genl. A. Jackson
17th Mil. District,

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that agreeably to the orders of the Honble the Secy of War, I have caused to be delivered to the Quarter Masters Department 5000 Stand arms with accoutrements, Flints &c, and 300000 Musket Cartridges to be forwarded with the least possible delay to Baton Rouge which place I presume they will reach in 20 or 23 days from this date.

The Secy of War is desirous of having in addition to the above mentioned arms &c 4 or 5000 Stand arms forwarded to Baton Rouge, as many more will be forwarded as our Depont at Franklinton this will afford and measures will be taken to have them forwarded as soon as possible.

In addition, I have been directed, that if from any information I might suppose any more Artillery would be advisable in your Quarter, I should forward such as could be spared and of the Calibers and kind I might judge advisable.

I shall have it in my power to forward

you on the receipt of [illegible] order from you any Artillery Ordnance Stores and equipments you may require and if the navigation will permit they will reach you by mid winter.

I have the honor to be your
very obt. Sert.

(Signed)

Ab. R. Woolley
Depy. Comy. of Ordnance
Commanding

Duplicate

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A R Woolley
Ab Orleans
8 Decr 1814
no answer

Major Genl A Jackson
7 Mil Dist
New Orleans

Major Genl. A Jackson
7 Mil Dist
New Orleans

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J. H. Weakley
R. C. [illegible]
8th Novr 1814
Answered

Exmo Señor

He recibido la muy apreciable de V.E. de esta propia fecha por la qual se sirve recomendarme el Capitan Mc Lleano, de las tropas de los Estados Unidos. Puede V.E. estar persuadido, que tendra toda seguridad, como asimismo los auxilios que necesite, con la consideracion que se merece un oficial de unas tropas que se han adquirido la eterna gratitud de los habitantes de este Pueblo.

Soy Señor general con la mayor consideracion su obediente y seguro servidor y ruego á Dios que su Vida m. a.
Sn. Domingo 9 de Noviembre de 1814

Mateo Gonz. Manrique

Exmo Señor Dn Andres Jackson.

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Natchitoches Novr. 9th 1814

Dear Sir

I have the honour to Acknowledge the Receipt of your letter by Yesterdays Mail, dated Mobile 17th of Octr. ulto. I Shall proceed Immediately to Organize into Companies about four Companies of Indians from the different Tribes of Indians in this Vicinity, they will I Expect be taken from the Caddos, Alabamis & Conchattas, Chactaws, Pascagolas & Appalaches, Mandacos, Keychees, Ioies, & Nabedaches. They will Compose so formidable a defence on this frontier as to Tranquilize the Inhabitants (Some of whom were Moving off) leave us from all apprehentions about our Negroes, & from the Nations from whom they will be taken being detached from the Govt. of the united States.

We have had a repetition of Accounts for Some time past that a Spanish force of 1100 Men was advancing towards this frontier from St. Antonio, & that they had made peace with Some Indians with whom they were at War &c, to Assertain precisely the truth or falsity of these Accounts I have Employed a Confidential Man who is well acquainted with the Country & Amongst the Indians, he has now been Gone I think Seventeen days. I Expect him in Seven or Eight to Return, when I Shall be able to Communicate to you what May be Relied on from that quarter, not only the State of Spanish but of Indian Affairs.

I Am
Sir with very Great Respect
& Esteem
Your Obt. Servt.
John Sibley

Major General Jackson

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J. Sibley
Indian Agent
Natchitoches 9 Novr
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Novr 9th 1814 —

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Major General Andrew Jackson

~~Mobile~~ —

New Orleans

Natchitoches
Novr 9th 1814—

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Major General Andrew Jackson

New Orleans

Mobile ———

J. Sibley
Indian Agent
Natchitoches 9 Novr
1814 [illegible]

Copy — Choctaw Nation, Mr. Stearns's

9th Novr. 1814

Sir,

In pursuance of your request to one of the 4th inst. I have proceeded as far as this place, where I find thro' Mr. Nathaniel Folsom as Interpreter, some depredations committed by some of our troops on their march from Madison County to join General Jackson the property being forcibly taken from a Choctaw woman known to be Skappaw's wife is ten bushels of corn which was all she had, it is stated by Mr. Stearns to be done by the company commanded by Captain Philemon Hodge who it appears only paid the woman one dollar and a half – the balance I state to you not paid, but I have assured the woman that you will see her satisfied which appears to reconcile her, her demand is $13.50 cts. – The same company it is stated arrived at Tuska mastabbe's a Choctaw and no person at home but his wife and daughter, who states that she stayed until they cut or broke off the end of one of the crib logs and began to take out the corn, and she ran in haste to tell Mr. Stearns – they finished their outrage and left.

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left of $2.50 with the daughter as pay. Mr. Stearns
it appears pursued and complained to Capt. Hodge
they first denied braking open the crib but after
some little discourse, the Lieut. Parker confessed,
but they made no more satisfaction. The sufferer
states that $14 will satisfy them and not less
for which I have also assured them of your friend=
ship and attention to their losses. I hear of nothing
more between him and Mr. Pitchlynn worth
reporting to you. Some more small complaints is
here but not known to be done by the troops, there
of [illegible] report. I shall return from this
and hear of nothing more committed below the
Line. I commit this report to the care of Mr. Stearns
to deliver to you.

Respectfully Your Obt. Servt.

(Signed) Gray Simmons

Col. John McKee

Agt. Ind. Affs.

General Order Fort Jackson November 9th 1814

Capt John Chiles will with all convenient speed proceed to Fort Montgomery, and take command there of all the Mounted men from East Tennessee. Those at present in the war will report themselves to him on their arrival, of whom he will take command, and will make all necessary requisitions on the army Contractors, Quarter Masters, and Officers bound to furnish supplies in the 7th Military District, for their support who are required to obey this Order, and to furnish accordingly. Capt Chiles is Charged Expressly for the orderly and good Conduct of the men under his command on their march. Who are expressly forbidden to trespass against the persons or property of the Friendly Indians on their march under the penalties to be incurred agreeably to the rules & Articles of war, Capt Chiles will retain the above Command until further orders

Nathl. Taylor
B. G. C.

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Major General Andrew Jackson

Capt. Childs
Recd. 12 1814.

Major General Andrew Jackson

Capt. C. Lee.
Novr. 10 1814.

Fort Hampton November 10th 1811

Dear Sir. Some little time back I received a note from the War department directed to the commanding officer of this place, requiring that the intruders on the Chickasaw Lands should be notified forthwith to depart the Indian Country. In obedience to that order I delay'd no time to give them notice; yet I am sorry to inform you, that it has had no effect on those vile absconders from I am persuaded justice. I have apprised the War department what little attention has been given to this notice, and am now awaiting the pleasure of further orders from that head. I have thought proper to inform you of circumstances, under the impression, should I receive orders to drive them off to state my force may be inadequate, from the small number of men allowed me to guard the Fort, and with a view of having my company augmented in case the Secretary at War, should think proper to give such orders — I also wish to call to your recollection, the necessity of having some person appointed to muster my company in and out of service, if that arrangement has not already been made. I would also wish to suggest for your consideration, the propriety of permitting some good honest citizens to settle on the road between this and Colberts Ferry; as great complaints are made by travelers who pass that way, for the want of accommodation — Frequent applications has been made to me to grant the establishment of a ferry over Tennessee River, opposite this place. ——

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Dear General I am anxious to discharge the duty and trust that has been reposed in me faithfully; and there are queries put to me which I am unable to determine I have therefore thought it advisable to make a full disclosure of those subjects to you, for your intelligent advice; for which I flatter myself you will excuse. Col. Butler directed me to have the public waggons at this place, repaired and sent to Fort Deposit, which shall be done together with five public [illegible].

I was up to see my father a few days ago, and found him verry sick, he requested me however to tender his best wishes and respects to you, and your army. Brother [illegible] in consequence of [illegible] [illegible] in disposition, has returned home a [illegible] [illegible] convalescent. my best and proudest wishes accompany your army, and accept for yourself my highest considerations and respects.

John A. Allen
Capt. Com. J. F. Hampton

Dear General Washington City November 10. 1814

I am at this place loitering about and perfectly unemployed, having come on, with our mutual & worthy friend Colo. Pope; while thus situated, from the high respect I entertain for your person & character, I feel a desire to give you some account of passing events here — believing they will not be unacceptable to you — I have only been here since Saturday and cannot be as well acquainted with the views of Government as a longer time might have afforded me — however, the Colo. by this morning with my brother & self had an interview with the President, Messrs Monroe, & Dallas, and in relation to our friend believe no difficulty of much magnitude will arise in his settlement with the War department, or, in procuring advances, for the purpose of complying with your late requisition on him, for deposits at Forts Strother, Williams, & Jackson — The Executive and Heads of departments are feelingly

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alive, to the events of the operations of the enemy in the district under your command, and I believe, feel gratified at the disclosure of our impressions of your being able to defend Mobile and Orleans from any probable force the enemy make an attack with

The intelligent members of both houses of Congress appear to be determined to place a large force at the command of the Executive, and place the fiscal concerns (which are much deranged) of the nation on a solid Basis — of their success in the latter I entertain no doubts, but I have some on the other — the plan which I think most likely to succeed is now before the Senate which in the estimation of members appears most efficient, & most likely speedily to get in the field, & most freed from constitutional objections, to wit to call out militia for two years, to serve only in their own & adjoining State — with inducements to enlist into the regular service, by holding up to

their Interest a bounty of 320 acres of land and a large money bounty — with other details giving exemptions from militia service when Individuals will furnish a recruit for the war &c.—

On the subject of the disgraceful destruction of this place, a Comt. on that subject waits only answers to some letters, to report which will be interesting to the nation, by enabling ~~them~~ it to fix their hostility & resentment where it properly belongs — a sufficiency of evidence is already in their possession, to stamp disgrace on Winders military Capacity —

An Intelligent & influencial member of the Com— on the subject of thanks tendered to military Officers, informs me, in relation to yourself, that you stand with national men as high as those to whom thanks were rendered; but the same unanimity could not be obtained towards yourself, the Eastern members alleging it was mere Savages you had Conquered &c. &c. and this unanimity constituted its Value — with high Consideration and respect and Obed cordially ys Thomas Bibb

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Thos. [illegible]
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Maj. Genl. Andrew Jackson
N. Orleans
Mobile

Extract from the Garrison Orders issued on the 10th Novr. 1814

In case of alarm from fire or any other cause, the Officer of the Day or Senior Officer in Barracks will immediately cause the Long Roll to be beat, at which every man fit for Duty will appear on parade, with Arms and Accoutrements, where they will remain for further Orders. On such occasions it is expected, that no Officer or Soldier will be absent. ——

The Troops in Fort St. Charles will in case of any alarm, appear on Parade in the same Manner as directed for those in the Garrison. ——

Three Guns fired in quick Succession from Fort St. Charles either by day or by night, will be the signal for all the troops to be under Arms and ready for Action. ——

The Dragoons under Capt. Smith, and Hussars under Capt Dabuclet, with the mounted Rangers, under the Command of Capt. Griffith, will on the above Signal immediately form, and proceed with all possible dispatch to the Grand Parade in front of the Barracks, where they will await the orders of the Commanding Officer. ——

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Extract of Colo McRea's Orders
relation to Aliens

N: Orleans 1814

Gallatin Nov 10th 1814

Dr Sir

Your excellency will see by the inclosed monthly report that I have a full company and upwards-my self and officers are without Recruiting funds- Nor is it in the power of the paymaster to furnish me- It follows from hence that we are rendering no services to our Country- I have despatched an officer to Cincinnatti to procure if possible Rifles for my men- he will return by the 25th Inst- at which time I shall be ready to take up the line of march to any point to which I may be ordered- I am aware Sir that it is unmilitary to ask an Order; But should I receive your excellencies order to march to the South, I

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will move like the winds
to follow the fortunes of my
General -

I have the honor to be with
great respect your excellency
most Obedient Humble Servant

Wyly Martin
Capt. 3rd R. R.

His Excellency
Majr Genl. A.
Jackson

Gallatin T.
Novr. 14

Public Service
Wyly Martin
Capt. 3rd R. R.

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His Excellency

Major Genl. Andrew Jackson

Commanding 7th Military
District
N. Orleans
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Captain W. Martin
3d R. 10 Novr.
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Gallatin T.
Novr. 14

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Wyly Martin
Capt. 3rd R.R.

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His Excellency
Major Genl. Andrew Jackson
Commanding 7th Military
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3d R.R. 10 Novr.
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Highwassee Garrison

General. 10th November 1814

Every exertion has been made to obtain money for Bills to pay the Cherokee warriors for their services in the late expeditions under your command. It might have been done three months ago had the rolls been made out earlier. I cannot expect the money to be transmitted from the Pay Master General in less time than two or three weeks. as soon as the money comes to hand they & the whole nation will assemble here & hope that they will not depart from this place without being properly organized for service. at least as many as can be for the active scenes now commencing under your command. — If the troops said to be coming out from England & Spain should arrive. you will need all the aid that can be given you from the western States & they will freely give, it believing that you will make the best possible use of their Children & friends.

It is my opinion that if we can close the present Campaign with our enemy with the advantage that we now have of him; that the next campaign will commence with the best prospects: for it is a fact that cannot be doubted that the French & the Spaniards are at this moment bitter enemies to the English. Our Ships of war & privateers are treated in France with every degree of respect & fit out their Ships to cruise against the English - and in Spain they are almost at civil war. Ferdinand has given himself into the hands of Priestcraft — and they are endeavoring to draw the curtains of night around & over Spain & throwing them Back to the State of the dark ages. God almighty guide direct & prosper you..

I have the honor to be

with great respect

Return J. Meigs

Major General

Andrew Jackson

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time

Major General Andrew Jackson.
Army

Major General Andrew Jackson.

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Hyhwasse Garrison Nov. 10th 1814

Sir

My Letter Some days Since Gave you an Idea. of the Situation of the Cherokees. no Change has bine taken place they manifest a strong disposition to be with you.

Mr. Byers the Gentleman of whoom I Spoke has agreed to acompany them. My Streangth has much improved and I Shall probably accompany him

The money for their payment has not yet Come to hand. and there is no certainty at what time it will reach here. ~~[illegible]~~ owing to apareances made by Col. Meigs & myself of not calling on them to move. untill after their payment Should be made is one of the principle cause of their delay. I am Sir Respy yours obt.

Gideon Morgan jr

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G. Morgan Lt.
C. C. Cherokee Forces.

Major Genl. A Jackson.

Head. Quarters 7th
Military District

Gideon Morgan
In to Cherokees &c
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Highwassee 11th Nov 1814

Public Service
G. Morgan Lt Colo
C. C. Cherokee Forces

Major Genl. A Jackson.

Head Quarters 7th
Military District

Gideon Morgan
on to Cherokees
Nov. 1814

Port Gibson 10 Novr 1824

Col. Hays

Sir

Some time ago Mr A. Green put into my hands a Note made by John Knox in your favour Amount $37 – dated 24 April 1807 for Collection – I found that Mr Knox could Not pay without more inconvenience than perhaps you would put him to and as he now resides in your State I have enclosed the Note to you for you to use your own discretion

Yours Respectfully

P. A. Vandorn

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Port Gibson
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Col^o. Robert Hays

Near
Nashville
Tennessee

mail

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Creek Agency & Fort Hawkins 5 Nov

5–11 Nov. 1814

I received yours of yesterday, previously I had addressed a letter to the A. D. Q. M. Genl. on my plan which he has not answered but am on his return from Milledgeville a copy is inclosed. We have at Fort Mitchell a supply of Beef and Flower the contractor is to furnish that post corn is scarce in the upper towns of the lower Creeks and must be furnished from Georgia. I enclose you some papers just rec'd by a runner. Mr. McIntosh who has lost his negroes is a half breed distinguished for his bravery at the seige of Tookaubatche where he lost an eye. I am informed the British officers at Perrymans recently returned from Pensacola has given out he expects a considerable number of negroes from Georgia this moon, probably thro' the aid of such people as are mentioned by Majr. Walton and the little body of Seminoles moving towards Georgia. This business must be put a stop to, by cutting off the British officer and ad herents in that quarter or the evil will soon become serious by alarm -ing the citizens throughout your State.

How to get the infantry from the forts I have revolved in my mind. As I was enroling and embodying the friendly Indians I intended to call on the Commandant for the requisite number and replace them if necessary with Indians. If he refused I intended to apply to Majr. Cook to take command of the posts in the urgency of the case, although not authorized by him to say he would do so.

After communicating to General Jackson every thing I have to you. I added "General Pinckney is too far off to be heard from in time and if the Militia Majs. Freeman and Walton will not cooperate under my orders and we cannot get a commander of ability and enterprize from Georgia we shall be

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embarrassed. Our Indians will serve under me or a Regular 1688

officers, but with reluctance by our militia officers who are not
obeyed by their soldiers. I wish we the best I can. I have no other
right to command than ex officio, and that vested by the Indians
which is good as to them. As the Crisis seems to admit of no delay
I shall claim the right to command from that source and act as
circumstances may justify.

You see clearly the contingency upon which I claim
"If we cannot get a commander of ability and enterprise from
Georgia". If we can I have no desire to be in command. Last
year I had believing at the head of the Indians possessing their confidence
and with a personal knowledge of the Country and its Inhabitants
I would be of vital importance to our army; But an ill-fated dis-
astrous policy forbid it. I am inclined to believe the no co-opera-
ra, to General Jackson is confided every thing connected with Indians.
I am informed by him of the 22 ult. "I have no information that
clothing will be furnished the friends, and that the swords promised
Maj. McIntosh and other Chiefs have been ordered. You will be
pleased to ascertain as soon as possible the number of Warriors that
can be prevailed on to enter the service of the U.S. and notify me
of the same the Warriors such as do not wish to come on and
join me you will employ for the protection of their own frontiers.

Capt. Barnard is ready I believe with his command
I have requested Mr Barnard to feed them until I can have it
done in the regular channel.

I am respectfully Dear Sir
your obe. serv.
Benjamin Hawkins

Gov. of Georgia

6th Nov.

Recd. and communicated to the Govr. information that the Hostiles were some 28 of them painted half red half black on their way towards Hartford, the informant says are [illegible] many of them from Auttosse, Hothlewaule, Fushatchee and 2 Wewocas. They ak had [illegible].

8 Nov. Extract of a letter to the Govr. of Georgia enclosing him a copy of Genl. Jacksons letter of 31st ult.

"I cease to have any alarm on the score of the provisions of the Seminoles. They have taken part against us and must be chastised or they will begin to destroy our frontiers, if not in a body, in their small predatory parties. The Hostiles were delayed in their march by a misunderstanding between Perryman and the British agent from Pensacola, they accused him of being tardy and unfit for command, and advised the Warriors to appoint a more energetic commander. He set out for Pensacola and promised more activity when he returned. — I believe he dreads the consequences and had rather give promises than effectual aid for their present. His followers are or soon will be on their way for scalps and horses.

You will find in Genl. Jacksons letter he intends to employ the Georgia & E. Tennessee militia on their way to him to destroy any hostile party of Indians he may be advised of. I again ask this, if he can spare them so long, & with what you can do we shall have it effectually done."

8 Nov. [illegible] notice from Mr. Cornells he has
understood information, Mico Jucker the main [illegible]
town was hostile and about to move towards the frontier
of Georgia for a predatory warfare.

7 Nov. from Governor Early

"I will immediately prepare a corps of about
400 mounted infantry, probably 500. I learn from Capt.
Legueny that the Q.M. department will supply forage on
my requisition as he is now under my orders. This you
may in the mean time be sure I will have the men"

1.6.m 7 nov. rec^d Genl. Jackson's letter of the 31st
ult, and two others of his, one to the Governor of Georgia
and the other to Genl. Mckenny, which I forwarded on express

9. rec^d return of 89 Uchees enrolled under
Capt. Barnard to whom I had sent 800 rounds of am-
munition with orders to scout out for the Hostile parties.

sent orders to Mr. Lovelace to send out
if practical 100 Infantry and Indians to waylay the
the tracks of the Hostiles to intercept their return.—

10 Rec^d advice that the Chiefs were to meet
to decide definitively on the subject of enrolment.—
20 Chieftains of Autalla Chuttan enrolled the 8th — Great
complaints continue on withholding their annuity, and
want of supplies — General Jackson's assurances of their
being on the way would be made to the Chiefs on the 8th

B.H.

10th Col. Jones arrived at the agency with 100
mounted men on a scout and went to join Capt. Barnard
with his Uchees

Your favour of 31. ult. rec^d. on the 7th. the enclosed is the substance of occurrences since. Col^o. Jones arrived here with 100 mounted men on a scout, and I shall go with him till he joins Captn. Barnard who is on the lookout. I have expected for two days a return of the enrolled warriors. The Uchees have 50. as soon as the returns come in they will be forwarded. I have just rec^d. a runner from down Flint river to inform me two of the war or predatory parties had been turned back, one by Aumuccullo chief and the other by the chief in the neighbourhood of Kinnard. The King of Micco sookee does what he can to restrain his young people, who are imprudent and eager for mischief. A man who called himself a British officer and Tom Perryman visited the King and urged him to war and to go out with the warriors offering him 100 dol^rs. for every trader, cow buyer or other American found in that country and the like sum for captured Negros. The King answered begin you first the war, and you will then see what the Red people will do. The head quarters of the encouragers of mischief is Perrimans, ten negros arrived here almost perished from Pensacola and 100 expected to join the British." You know I believe Perrimans is on our side the line of limits about 4 miles above where the 31st. Degree touches Chattahoochee on the East side of that river.

I have not heard any thing but from you, of supplies for the Indians. Mr. Limbaugh will report direct to you from Cowetau and I shall again in a day or two.

I am with very sincere esteem

Dear Sir your obe^t.

Benjamin Hawkins

Creek agency 11 Nov. 1814

Maj^r. Genl. Jackson

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Colo Hawkins

Nov 1814

Recevd 17. Jan: 1815

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Ft. Deposit [illegible] Dec: 1814

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Ft. Decatur 28th Dec: 1814

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Keshers T. office Public Service 20
8 Jany 1815 Benjamin Hawkins
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Majr. General Jackson
Head quarters
7 Military district

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Mr. Juzans Nov. 11 1814

I have left a corrected copy of this with Mr. Stearns who says he will start with it in four or five days to you and Mr. Juzan is going to start to the Agency sooner, I have sent this report by him, it contains the same grievances that the other does only some that has been committed near to Mr. Juzans. A sow was killed Mr. Juzan says and her bell taken off, it was the property of Shappa homa; a Choctaw who followed them to his house and they gave up the bell and put two dollars in a draft which does not satisfy the Indian. it was done by the same company. I am this far on my return and to give you a full report I send you this by Mr. Juzan as supplemental to the report that will be handed by Mr. Stearns. &c

Gray Simons

Col. John McKee

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Near Fort Claibourn November the 13th 1814

Sir I enclose you a Copy of my orders from General Taylor. I have also instructions [illegible] to leave one company to stay at [illegible] three Companies to Mobill Point and [illegible] and the other Company in Person to Fort Montgomery. Genl. Taylor is in the rear and I expect to hear from you before I hear from him. I must therefore request you to let me know my place of destination. My men are generally well. [illegible] Baggage in tolerable order and fit for service. I am anxious to be with you. Three Companies are at Fort Claiborn and two on their March from Fort Jackson we will all be together in a few days and ready to march to any place which you may think Proper to direct.

Sir I have the honor to be very respectfully Your humble Servant
John Chiles Capt

Major Genl. Andrew Jackson

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Adjutant General Office [illegible] Nov. 13th 1814

Head Quarters
7th M. District

reward

After General Order. To [redacted] brave, is at all times pleasing, the Major General on the present occasion feels unusual satisfaction in approbating the conduct and admiring the bravery of the troops under his command in storming the town of Pensacola on the 7th instant when menaced by the Fort batteries on the right, the British shipping on the left, with the block houses and artillery in front. The Choctaws led on by their brave leaders and chiefs entered the town with equal firmness. Such ~~bravery~~ intrepidity drew from our enemies admiration and respect.

The conduct of this gallant army while in possession of the town is unparalleled in history. A town taken by storm after the conduct of the enemy has in every respect been such as to excite revenge in its most malignant form, yet private property and persons were religiously respected.

The Major General tenders to all his warmest thanks and approbation for their uniform bravery and good conduct, and cannot forego the mention of Captain Laval of the 3d Inf. and his officers and company who stormed the battery of two guns. In this charge the Captain fell gloriously ~~being shot~~ from a shot through the thigh. His officers and men with American ardor continued the charge and ~~took~~ gained

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There was not an officer or soldier within the view of the Major General who did not faithfully do his duty, ~~and is to him a good~~ which he receives as a pledge when he meets the enemy with equal numbers, they have nothing to fear from the contest —

By command

Robert Butler
Adjutant General

Head Quarters }
7th M. District }

Adjt Generals Office Post Gard
November 14th 1814

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By command
R. Butler
Adjt. Genl.

(Signed)

After Genl. Orders
14th. Novr. 1814

Recorded

Head Quarters
7th M. District

Adjt Generals office —
Boat Yard. Nov 14 1814

Extract of Genl. orders.

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By command
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Asst. Adj. General

Special Orders
16th Novr. 1814

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Head quarters
Wm. [illegible] [illegible]

Adjt. General's office, Boat yard
November 14. 1814

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A General Court Martial to Consist of five Members and two Supernumeraries will Convene this day at 12 O'clock for Such place, as the president may direct. Major Woodruff is appointed presid: Captains Baker, J. Butler, ~~and~~ Long, and ~~Lieutenants~~ Hunter Members – Lieutenant ~~Parramt~~ Christie, J. Smith of the 39.th Inft Supernumeraries. Lieut Clark will act as Judge Advocate.

By Command.

H. Chotard
Ass. Adj. General.

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Camp at Fort Mims 14th Novr. 1814

Brigade orders,

Pursuant to Genl. orders,

The whole of my Brigade, that is at this place except Captain William Russells company will proceed to cross the river into the cut off— and as soon as the dismounted men, have recovered their horses, the whole will cross the Tombigby and encamp on the west side of the river untill further orders—

Major Russell, Captains Hodges, Russell, and Steel, with their respective commands will cross and encamp on the East bank of the Allabama,— where they will receive orders from the commanding Genl.—

Jno. Coffee
Brigr. Genl.

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Brigade Orders 14th Novr. 1814

Camp at Fort Mims 14th. Novbr. 1814

Captain Steel of the Tennessee Volunteer mounted gunmen, will report himself in person, immediately to Major Genl. A. Jackson, at his head quarters near the Boat yard, from whom he will receive his orders —

Jno. Coffee
Brigr. Genl.

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to Capt. Robt. Steel.

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Head Quarters 7th. M. District
Tensaw Novr. 14th. 1814

Sir

On last evening I returned from Pensacola to this place — I reached that point on the evening of the 6th. on my approach I sent Major Peire with a flag to communicate the object of my visit to the Governor of Pensacola — he approached Fort St George with his flag displayed, and was fired on by the cannon from the fort — he returned and made report thereof to me — I immediately went with the Adjutant General & the Major with a small escort, and viewed the Fort, and found it defended by both British and Spanish troops — I immediately determined to storm the Town retired and encamped my troops for the night and made the necessary arrangements to carry my determination into effect the next day — on the morning of the 7th. I marched with the effective regulars of the 3d. 39. & 44th. Infantry, part of Genl Coffees Brigade, the Mississippi Dragoons, and part of the west Tennessee Regt. commanded by Lt Col. Hammond (Col. Lowry having deserted and gone home) and part of the Choctaws led by Major Uriah Blue of the 39th. and Major Kennady of the M. Territory — being encamped on the west of the Town I calculated they would expect the assault from that quarter, and be prepared to rake me from the Fort, and the British armed vessels laying in the Bay

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98 that lay in the bay - to evade this I sent a
part of the mounted men to shew themselves
on the west whilst I passed in rear of the Fort
undiscovered to the East of the Town, when I appeared
within a mile I was in full view, my pride
was never more heightened, than viewing the
uniform firmness of my Troops, and with
what undaunted courage they advanced, with
a strong fort ready to assail them on the right
seven British armed Vessels on the left, strong
Blockhouses, and batteries of cannon in their -
front, but they still advanced with unshaken
firmness, entered the Town, when a battery of
two cannon was opened upon the centre column
composed of the regulars with ball & grape and
with a shower of musquetry from the houses
and gardens, the battery was immediately stormed
by Capt Lavals company & carried, and the mus
=quetry was soon silenced by the steady & well direct
=ed fire of the regulars - the Governor met Colo. Will
=iamson and Smith who led the dismounted volun-
=teers with a flag begging for mercy, and surrendered
the Town & Fort unconditionally, mercy was -
granted and protection given to the citizens & their
property - and still Spanish Treachery kept us
out of possession of the fort until nearly -
twelve oclock at night - Never was more cool
deliberate bravery displayed by any set of troops
and the choctaws, advanced to the charge with
equal bravery, on the morning of the eighth I pre
=pared to march and storm the Barancas, but before

I ~~heard~~ and more the tremendous explosions, and saw that the Barancas with all its appendages was blown up, I dispatched a detachment of two hundred men to explore it, who returned in the night with the information that it was blown up, all the combustible parts burnt — the cannon spiked & dismounted except two — This being the case I determined to withdraw my troops, but before I did I had the pleasure to see the British depart —

Col. Nicholls, abandoned the Fort on the night of the 6th and betook himself to his shipping with his friend Capt Woodbine and their red friends. The steady firmness of my Troops has drew a just respect from our enemies — It has convinced the Redsticks, that they have no strong hold or protection only in the friendship of the United States — The good order and conduct of my troops whilst in Pensa=cola, has ~~drew~~ convinced the Spaniards of our friendship, and our prowess, and has drew from the citizens an expression, that our Choctaws are more civilized than the British —

In great Haste I am sir respectfully
yr mo. ob. serv.

Andrew Jackson
Major Genl Comdg.

His Excellency
Governor W. Blount

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Letter from

Genl Jackson

to

Govr Blount

14th Nov 1814

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His Excellency
Willie Blount Esqr
Governor of Tennessee
Nashville

Fort Jackson
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His Excellency
Willie Blount Esqr
Governor of Tennessee
Nashville

Mail

New Orleans
14th Novr. 1814

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the General Orders of the 31st Ulto., placing me in Command of all the posts and troops within the State of Louisiana. —

I am prevented even at this late date, from forwarding my Monthly Returns Compleat.

The Returns of two Troops of Dragoons now in this City, and two Companies of the Louisiana drafted Militia, one Stationed on the Lafourche, and the other on the Waters of Barataria will be forwarded by Next Mail.

The detachment of Louisiana drafted Militia, stationed at the English Turn, Amounting to about four hundred and Fifty Men were Mustered into Service on the 5th or 6th of this Month, and will be included in the Returns at the close of the present Month.

I am with much
respect & consideration
Sir
your my obt.
[illegible signature]
Lt. Col. Artillery

Col. Robert Butler
Adj. Genl. 7th Milty. Dist.
Head Quarters Mobile

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Col Robert Butler
Adjt. General 7th Mil. Dist.

From Colo. Maclea
14th Nov 1814

Col Robert Butler
Adjt. General 7th Mil'y Dist

From Colo. MacRea
14th Nov. 1814

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Q. Master Genl. Office
New Orleans Novr. 14th. 1814

Sir

The regulations of the War department, requires me to make an annual estimate of the expenditures of this district for the Q. Masters department. To enable me to fulfill this all important object, I have to ask of you, a statement of the number & distribution of the Troops stationed within the 7th. Military district —

With great respect
I am Sir
your Obt. Servt.
W. Piatt
Q. Mr. Genl.

Col. Robert Butler
Adjt. Genl. 7th. Mil Dist

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From Col. Piatt 14th Nov.
1814 requiring a
statement & distribution
of the troops in the
7th Mil. Dist.

Col. Robert Butler
Adjt. Genl. 7th Mil. Dist.
Mobile

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Adjt. Genl. 7th Mil. Dist.
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From Col. Piatt 14th Nov.
1814 requiring a
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of the troops in the
7th Mil. Dist.

Commissary's Office
New Orleans 14 November 1814

Sir

I have the honor of acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 19 Ulto. (adressed to me by Captn Woolstonecraft & received the 11th) the degree of astonishment expressed in it, would induce me to believe that upon some erroneous representations of Captain Woolstonecraft, you have already conceived the idea that I had neglected my duty - To destroy this impression I take the liberty of informing you, that Captn Woolstonecraft did not make any Demand of Clothing for his company, he merely in his letter of the 15th September last stated to me the situation his men were in, & inquired wether I could furnish, to inform him speedily I answered in stating that I had no clothing in store neither funds & in the mean time informed him that Lt Col McRea had a supply on hand for the recruiting service from which he could be supplied if he would make

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out his returns. (I have not a copy of my letter, having written him in a private way, but to the best of my belief, this was my answer.) Since that time I heard nothing more of this — If Capt.n Woolstoncraft had transmitted me his returns instead of making inquiries, although I had neither clothing nor money, I should certainly have made the necessary arrangements, to meet his demands, with the same promptitude as I have supplied the rest of the army —

I hope that this will be sufficient to prove that Captn Woolstoncraft had no write to state that I had refused him clothing, nor to expect that Issues would be made upon a mere letter of inquiry.

I am with high respect & Consideration Sir your very obed.t Serv.t

Maj.r Gl. Andrew Jackson
Com.g 7th My. District
Mobile

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Dep.y Com.y

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Peter Perrie & Trout
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Majr General Andrew Jackson
Commd 7th Military District
Mobile

Mobile Novr. 14th 1814

Sir,

I this moment recd. by Express yours of the 12th instant. I haint but very little news to communicate to the Majr. Genl. I have reinforced Majr. Lawrence, at Mobile Point. Majr. Lawrence have taken a British Schooner load with flower, on their way to Pensacola, The Schooner arived here on last evening, with seven British Prisoners. I will wate your further orders how to dispose of the Schooner & prisoners—

Sam Sir

Majr. Genl. Andrew Jackson
Comd. 7th Military District

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Col 2d. Inft.

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R. Sparks
Col. 2d. Infy

Major Genl. Andrew Jackson

Comdg 7th Military District

Fort Montgomery

Express

Colo. R. Sparks
Augt [illegible] 1814

Public Service
R Sparks
Col. 2d. Infy

Major Genl. Andrew Jackson

Comdg 7th Military District

Fort Montgomery

Express

Colo R Sparks
June [illegible] 1814

Novem : 15: 1814

Sir

The language of complaint is unusual to me for as far as it lies in my power I redress my own grievances: but my feelings have been roused by acts of interference in my duty highly insulting to my feelings.

Some four or five men of the 39. Regt. who enlisted the 16th Nov: and whose services expired the 15 Nov: and for which day they wanted receive pay, presented their certificates for payment — They were not entitled to their certificates or pay until tomorrow, for this day was a day of service: nevertheless I should have paid them, but my Physician can prove that it was hardly poss=-ible for me to do so. It appears they went and complained to Col: Hayne Insp. Genl. who sent me word, that if I was too unwell to pay the men I must substitute another paymaster; and that if I did not do it he would arrest me. — this message was sent by a private soldier — without making any comment on the mode of sending this order, I have yet to learn from what source he derived authority to send it all. I have done my duty to the best of my abilities, and can prove the unreasonableness of all complainers against me — I shall pay those men in the morning whether I am better or worse

Very Respectfully

Your ob Servt

W Allen

Asst DPM

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W. Allen [illegible] P.M.
Frankt 15th 1814

Major Genl Jackson
Commdg 7th M. Dist

Major Genl Jackson

Commg 7th M Dist.

[illegible] 13th 1814

Dear General   Nash. Nov: 15. 1814

Will you permit me to present to you by Col. Eakin a military atlas, which perhaps may be of service to you.

I am your friend

Andw. Hynes

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Major General Andrew Jackson

Comg 7. Military District

Mobile.

Col. Hayne 13 Nov.
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Major General Andrew Jackson

Comg 7. Military District

Mobile.

Col. A Hynes 13 Nov.
1814 no ansd

Captain James Cummings

Sir

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th instant by Mr Wilson creal and Thomas Cummins, by whom you will receive this answer — at this all important crisis in our national affairs, the patriotism displayed by the Brave Tennesseans, is highly gratifying to me, you having raised your company and marched them so far to unite with your brethren in arms, in the defence of the dearest rights of freemen, entitle you & them to the highest praise of your country and as far as my influence extends it will be used, to obtain for you and your brave followers, that pay and emoluments that others of like troops receive — The scarcity of Forrage in this quarter will be sensibly felt — but your horses are strong, salt and reed must be substituted in lieu of corn — a few days of active service will put down all hostility with the Creeks — you will therefore come on Join the mounted Men here, and you will be engaged in active service immediately

I am respectfully yr mo ob Servt

Andrew Jackson
Major Genl Comdg

Head quarters 7th M. District

Tensaw Novbr 15th 1814

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By Express

Maj. General Jackson

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Copy to Capt. [illegible]
Nov.r 20th 1814

Camp Boat-yard 15th Novr. 1814

Major Joseph Woodruff

Sir. It appears that there is a malicious report in camp of my having abbandoned my Gun & otherwise having acted shamefully before the Enemy on the Evening of the 7th at Pensacola;— you will therefore have the goodness to cause to be ordered a court of Enquiry as soon as pos-sible to investigate my conduct

Am Sr. Respectfully

Your Mo. Obt. Servt.

James Rd. Miller
Lt 3d U. S. Inft

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Major J Woodruff
Comm'g 3d Regt

Letter from [illegible] Lieut.
Miller
Application for Court of
Enquiry —
Granted

13th Nov. 1814

I do acknowledge to have this day received of Major Genl. Andrew Jackson a negro man named Garrard taken by him from Pensacola as the property of the Mad Dog one of the creek Chiefs late deceased, which I promise to keep safe untill ordered by the said Genl. Andrew Jackson to be delivered over to some authorized agent of the legal representative of the said Mad Dog deceased or untill called on by the proper tribunal of the chiefs of the said creek nation for the delivery of the said negro to the person designated by the said Chiefs as the legal heir of the said Mad dog deceased – Under the penalty of five hundred Dollars to be paid by me or my heirs to the said Genl. Andrew Jackson or his assigns

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal at Fort Pierce this 18th day of March 1814

David Tate

Witness
Thos. Butler

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receipt Genl Mack
to [illegible] [illegible] negro
Genl Jackson
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Sir

Fort Fayette 15 Nov. 1814

I have the honor to state to you that I have this morning received copies of a communication made by Capt. Humphrey acting Dept. Comy of Ord. at New Orleans dated 5 ultimo, of an order of yours for ordnance, ord-=nance stores &c., for the use of Fort Charlotte & Fort Bowyer together with a list of the articles that have already been furnished you by Capt. H. on that order —

The ordnance can not be forwarded from this until they are cast here (Pittsburgh) which will require three months. The ordnance stores required shall be forwarded before the navigation closes, the whole will leave this in all the month of December, some of them in a few days —

On the other side you have a list of the stores I am now making up for you to be forwarded to Baton Rouge in a few days —

Major Genl. A. Jackson
7 Mil. District
Mobile

I have the honor to be very
Respy. yr. obt. servt.
A. R. Woolley Dept. Comy. Ord.
Commanding

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2. 6 pds Iron Cannon on Traveling carriages with Implements

1. 5 8/10 Inch Iron Hawitzers on do with Do

200 Rounds strap shot fixed for 6 pds

60 — " — " Case — " — 6 pds

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200 Shells fixed for 5 8/10 Inch Hawitzer "

24 Rounds Case shot for — " — do

1000 Tin Tubes " — " — " —

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200 Sticks Port fires " — " —

200 lbs Slow Match " — " —

1/4 1/2 1 & 2 lbs Powder Measures

3 dark Lanthorns — " —

25 lbs Rosin — " — " —

12 lbs Beeswax — " — " —

25 Dressed Sheep skins " —

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Implements

3. Haversacks

24. Bricoles

1. Budge Barrel

8 Powder Horns

3. Water Buckets

3. Tar do

100 lbs Refined Nitre

50. lbs Sulpher.

Quick Match

Saw. rasp. files fuse drivers & sets

1000. Stands arms with Accoutrements

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Major Genl A. Jackson

7th Mil. District

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Ordnance

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A. P. Woolley act
Command

Major Genl. A. Jackson
7 Mil District
New Orleans

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A. P. Woolley
Natchitoches
13 Nov. 1814
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Private

Lt. Col. R C Nicholas

Buffalo
November 15th. 1814

Sir

Your letters of the 1st. July last and 31st. Ultimo was duly received, my silent contempt to the former, I presumed would have been understood and preclude the necessity of my replying but it appears you have the effrontery to again address me on the subject of my Daughter, In your first epistle it appears you had rightly anticipated a denial, in which case you request me to state my objections to the union, I now give them you viz-

your habits are vulgar and loose, and no part of the Gentleman about you, and I consider you as do many others a habitual drunk-ard, and have my reasons for believing you are destitute of candour and truth, without one qualification to make a decent woman happy, and that you have compleatly disgraced yourself on this frontier there is no doubt, and from the Private up, I believe you are considered a Paltroon and Coward I most religiously believe you do, and amongst many other weighty objections is, that my child will not receive your addresses, she considers you as I do a contemptable wretch your duplicity is well known, and your dirty intreguing attempts at Belle Fontaine are all well under-stood, one of your Pimps are in Eternity, let the ashes rest —

Time will not admit of my giving you many particulars which have come to my knowledge of your standing, both in the lower Country and Kentuckey, where you would want a good endorser to get you into decent Company &c.

I am &c

Signed D Bissell

(true Copy)

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Fort Fayette 16 Novr 1816

Sir

I have the honor to state to you that I have (this morning) received copies of a communication made by Capt Humphrey acting Depy Commissary of Ordnance at New Orleans dated 5 ultimo of an Order of yours for Ordnance Ordnance stores &c for the use of Fort Charlotte and Fort Bowyer together with a list of the articles that have already been furnished you by Capt H. on that Order

The Ordnance cannot be forwarded from this untill they are cast here (Pittsburgh) which will require three month The Ordnance stores required shall be forw-arded before the navigation closes the whole will leave this in all the Month of December some of them in a few days On the other side you have a list of Stores I am now making up for you to be forwarded to Baton Rouge in a few days

your obt Svt
[signature] Woolley
Depy Comy of Ordnance

Major General A. Jackson
7 Military District Mobile

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{Complete

2 6 pdz Iron Cannon on travelling Carriages with implements

1 5 8/10 Inch Iron Howitzers on " with " do

200 Rounds ~~strapt~~ shot fixed for 6 pdz

50 " " " Case " " 6 pdz

500 Loose round shot for " 6 pdz

100 " " " " 24 pdz

200 Shells fixed for 5 8/10 Inch Howitzers

24 Rounds Case shot for " do

1000 Tin Tubes " " " " "

200 Fuzes " " " "

210 Sticks Port ~~[illegible]~~ fires " "

200 lbs Slow Match " " "

1/4 1/2 1 & 2 lbs powder measures " "

3 dark Lanthorns " " " "

25 lbs Rosin " " " " "

12 lbs Beeswax " " " "

25 Dressed Sheep Skins

.3. Harversacks

.20. Barcoly

.1 Budge Barrel

.3. Powder Horns

.3. Water Buckets

.3 Tar .. do

.100 lbs Refined Nitre

.50 lbs Sulpher

Quick Match

Saw rasp files fuse drivers 1/4 sets

1000 Stands arms with accoutrements

Public Service A. R. Woolley
US ordnance

Major Genl. A. Jackson
7 Mil. Dist.
Mobile
New Orleans

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US ordnance

Major Genl. A. Jackson
7 Mil Dist
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A. R. Woolley
16 Nov 1814

Sir I for the first Huntsville Nov 16th 1814
time take up my pen to write to you and the
reason why I have not wrote before this time is
owing for it is known to the world that at an
early period of the present war with great britain
I was appointed to an honorable Command in
the army the reason which influenced me in
a my acceptance of that appointment having
discharged no small portion of that duty which
every Citizen ~~owes~~ owes to his country in a Service
of Ten Months in the northern frontiers
though the fire of youth with its ambitions
have not ceased to exist though I had determined
some time past not again to engage in public
employment and particularly in the army
this determination would have been scrupulous
ly and firmly adhered to had I not seen the
degrading Conditions demanded by the british
Commissioners from the American government
as the price of peace Conditions far worse
perhaps than the present such as no American
can ought to submit to and whilst these
are contended for and made the first question
to an adjustment of our differences I hesitate
not to declare my intention to unite with
and support the government in such a

System, or should compell the enemy to respect our rights and bring the war to an honorable ~~termin~~ termination in making this declaration it is not ~~howev~~ however to be understood that the avowed cause for the war or the manner in which is has been conducted have ever met my approbation. of my objections are we known; and in this communication it is unnecessary if not improper to state them. the crisis has arived when it would be useless to inquire what ~~[illegible]~~ were the causes or who were the authors of the misfortunes which have overtaken the country it is enough to know that dishonorable conditions have been demanded. and that danger does exist it now behoves us to show to the world that ~~their~~ there is firmness enough in the nation to respect the one and spirit sufficient to meete the other.. with these sentiments I offer to your excellency my servis inefficient as they are worth I hope that you will employ them in that situation wherein you may

deem them most useful
with Sentiments of much
respect I am your most obedient
Servant

Thomas Carroll

P.S. if a Quarter master or a pay master vacancy offers I would thank you for it

Thomas Carroll

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HUNTSVILLE, M. T.
Nov. 26.

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Gen.l Andrew Jackson
Commander of the
Southern Army
Mobille

Ths Cannon
16 Novr 1814

HUNTSVILLE, M. T.
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Genl Andrew Jackson
Commander of the
Southern Army.
Mobille

Ths Cannon
16 Novr 1814

Head quarters
7th M. District

Adjt. Generals office
Boat yard. Nov. 16. 1814

Sir,

You are authorised to return for such Quantity of provisions as you may deem necessary, and as much forage as can be furnished.— and you will without delay proceed to Baton rouge by the nearest route

That you may not suffer, you will send your Quarter Master a head of your troops to obtain the necessary supplies.

The asst. dep. y Qr. master General has been directed to furnish you, such funds as he can well at present spare.

you are further authorised to draw on him for all the necessary sums as you may in future be in need of—

By Command
With respect, I am sir, your
Obedt. Servant.
H. Chotard
asst. adjt. General

Brigd. General Coffee.
Comd. Tennes. M. Volunteers

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Genl. Order 16th Novr. 1814

Recorded

Brigr. General Coffee
Comm. & Comg. &c. Volunteers

New Orleans November 16th 1814

Sir,

Your letters of the 30th ultimo, are the last which has reached me. The probable destination of the forces, which were to have sailed from Ireland in September last, makes me solicitous to hold in requisition all the energies of this State, and if I am supported by the Legislature now in Session, you may calculate with certainty on my efficient Co-operation. The Enclosed Copy of my Communication to the two Houses of the Legislature, will shew you my sentiments as to our National affairs, and how ardently I desire, that the Just war in which are engaged may be prosecuted with union and vigour. It is certainly true, that the Louisianians have of late manifested the most patriotic disposition, and that if the Spirit which exists, be cherished and encouraged, we have every thing to hope from the great Majority of this population. The Legislature have not as yet done any thing to damp the public ardour. I hope this body will be justly impressed with the dangers to which we are exposed, and will warmly second all my efforts; But I fear, I much fear, they will not act with the promptitude and the Energy which the crisis demands.

I am Sir,
With the greatest Respect
Your Obt. Servt.
William C. C. Claiborne

Major General Jackson.

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Governor Claiborne
Janr. 16 1814

Nashville Nov. 16th 1814.

Genl. Carroll

Sir,

In Answer to yours of yesterday we have to observe, from the Arrangements made pursuant to your order of 22d. Ult. that it will be out of our power to furnish the rations required, with the means of transportation in less than twenty days, and that at great inconvenience.

Very Respectfully

Sir,

Yr. Obt. Servt.

Poyzer & Hill
Contractors agents
for W. T.

A Copy

Wm. Priestley Sec.

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M. T. Liberty Rendezvous Novem^r 17th 1814

Major Genl Andrew Jackson

Dear Sir

For Some Reason or Mistake unknown to me my name I was left out of the Last Register of the Army - for the Particular Manner it is of importance to me being the first 2^d Lieut & the first appointed in the 44th Regt the intervention of a word from you Sir to the Hon Officer in my behalf will set it all to Rights at the Same Time Sir you will Confer a Remembered obligation to the Last pulsation of my heart with unfeigned Respect & Esteem

Sir I am

Your Devoted H^e Servt

Chesley Meacham Billings

Lieut 44th Regt Inf

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Liberty
Nov 17

On Public Service
Portsmouth
24 miles

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Major Genl. Andrew Jackson
Comdg. 7th M. District
~~Mobile~~ N. Orleans

Mail

Lieut. [illegible]
17 Nov. 1814 No
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Liberty
Nov 17

On Public Service
Fort Stoddert
29 Nov

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Major Genl. Andrew Jackson
Comdg. 7th M. District
~~Mobile~~ N. Orleans

Mail

Lieut. [illegible]
17 Nov. 1814 no
ansr

Copy

Fort Decatur 17th Novem. 1814

Maj. J. Thompson
D. M.

Sir

When you was at Decatur we forgot to Settle for the Forty Bushels of Corn Sent to Fort Jackson by Mr. Ray, you will please Send me your duplicate receipts for the Same - immediately on the arrival of this —

You will please inform me if the flour you took from this post last was delivered to the Store Keeper at Fort Jackson

I am Very Respectfully
Your Ob. Hum. Servt.
Wm. Brown
U. S. Store Keeper

Fort Decatur 2d Decem. 1814

Maj. Thompson
D. M. Sir, The above of 17th ultimo I suspect never came to your hands as the packet in which it was forwarded was lost between this & fort Jackson, and as I have not heard from you It Confirms my opinion that the express was lost — I shall be glad to hear from you as quick as possible. You gave me receipts for 20 Bushels of Corn first sent you but the 40 by Mr Ray you omitted giving me and was forgot by us both when you was here —
in haste. Yours Very Respectfully

Wm. Brown U. S. S. K.

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On public Service

Maj. Jacob Thompson

Quarter master

Express 1st Regt. W. T. Militia

Mobile

Majr Genl Jackson

Sir

you will please except of this as my resignation to the appointment of A.D.Q.M. Genl allowing me a few days to settle my accounts with Capts Weir & Giles

you will except of my thanks for your friendship and politeness — I flatter my self to have the pleasure of seeing you in Mobile

I have the honor to be
Very respectfully your
Obt Servant
Thomas Hunt
A.D.Q.M. Genl

Novr 17th 1814

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Majr. Genl. Jackson
Commanding
7th M. District

Accepted.
20th Nov. 1814
Asst. Dept. Q.M. Genl.
Resignation

Camp at Carsons ferry
17th Novr 1814

Major Alexr McCulloch

Sir,

yours of this date mentioning the unpleasant situation of your family, ~~and~~ which has compelled you to offer your resignation of the appointment you hold in the United States Service, under my command, has been recd — It is grating to my feelings to part from an officer that has served with and under me, with universal ~~so much~~ satisfaction, and particularly so, at this important crisis of affairs — but from the circumstances set forth in your tender of resigna=tion I am compelled to accept, — you will please receive this as such — ~~wishing on your~~ ~~arrival~~ ~~home~~ ~~to you of~~ ~~you may find your families~~ ~~and friends enjoying health~~ — wishing your safe arrival home to your friends and families — and accept ~~the~~ my best wishes for your future health and happiness —

Jno Coffee
Brig Genl

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Acceptance of
A. McCulloch & S. D. H
Resignation

St. Stephens M. T.
Nov. 17. 1814

Sir,

I was requested by you through Capt. Denkins to contract with some person [illegible] carry the Express mail ordered between my office & Mobile; I accordingly spoke to Col. Fisher to have the ~~it~~ carried & promised him at least as much as he is allowed by the P. Master Genl. to carry the regular mail on the same rout which is at the rate of five ~~sixty~~ hundred & fifty dollars per Ann: for fifty two trips. The Express trips having been performed in much less time than is allowed for carrying the regular mails he considers himself intitled to something more; - I think myself he ought to be allowed at the rate of about $600 pr. Ann:

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I have the honor to remain
Very respectfully
Your obed^t. Servt.
Geo S Gaines

Maj^r Genl. Jackson

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Ft Montgomery

Maj Genl Jackson

Majr. Genl. Jackson

Ft. Montgomery

Geo S. Gaines 17

March 1814

Camp at Carsons Ferry Novr 17th 1813

Sir,

The unsettled state of my public and private business, and particularly the ill health of my family, calls me home imperiously. Nothing but no other state of things, could induce me to entertain such an idea — For in equal circumstances, nothing would be more gratifying, more pleasing than to serve with you in the appointment, which I am now compelled to resign —

I beg sir, you will accept the sincere wish, for your success & happiness of your friend & obt. Servt.

S. D. Hays
Brig. Insp.

Brig. Genl John Coffee.

Accepted the same day written J. C.

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S. D. Hays B. G.

Resignation

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Brig. Genl. Adjt. Office

Present

Brigr. Genl. John Coffee

Present

S. D. Hays B.Q.

Resignation

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Camp at Carsons Ferry 17th Nov. 1814

Brigadier Genl. John Coffee

Sir

On my leaving home the troubles and cares attendant on a farm and large family devolved entirely on the female part of mine, and having been informed by letter of an unfortunate accident having happened one of my sons in having broken his thigh; I think it necessary that I should get home in order to relieve that part of my family from more than their proper cares. You will therefore please receive this as my resignat-ion— accept for yourself Dr. Genl. the warmest wishes for your health and success and safe return to the bosom of your family and friends— and believe me to be Respectfully

Yr. Obt. Humbl. Servt.

Alexr. McCulloch
Aide de Camp

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Brigadier Genl. John Coffee

present

Alexr. McCulloch

Resignation

Brigadier Genl. John Coffee

present

Maj. McCulloch
Resignation

New Orleans
17th Novr 1814

Sir,

I am informed by Major Hughes assistant Inspector General, that he has completed as far as appears practicable at this time, the Muster of the Militia called into service, which has engaged his most assiduous attention for some time past, and of which he will make a particular report to you.—

After the performance of this duty, it was the intention of the Major to proceed on to Mobile and receive your orders; but I have found myself so situated in my command, that I have been under the necessity of detaining him untill your further instructions can be received.—

I have no Field Officer for duty, Major Nicks having been for some time past confined to his bed by sickness.— The Artillery and 7th Infantry, excepting the Staff Officers, have but one officer to a company — it has therefore not been in my power without injury to the service, to call for the assistance of any Officers of the regular troops.—

The various duties which have of late devolved on me, cannot be well executed without the assistance of some Officer of rank, in the Staff duties, to promulgate the general and other orders, and receive the reports from the different posts and corps under my authority

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also to be present in command in the City, during my short occasional absences in viewing the progress of the fortifications; added to which Major Hughes' knowledge of the French Language, renders him particularly serviceable to me in the discharge of some of my duties. — I shall therefore continue Major Hughes here as Asst. Insp. General, until your orders on the subject are received. I have the honor to be

very respectfully
Sir
your most obt servt
A. Macrea
Lt Col Artillery

Major Genl. A. Jackson
Head Quarters
Mobile

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Public Service
Wm. McRea Lt. Col. Arty.

Major General Andrew Jackson
Com.g. the 7th. Mility. District
Head Quarters
Mobile

Col. McRea
Nov. 17. 1814

Public Service
Wm. McRea Lt. Col. Arty.

Major General Andrew Jackson
Comm.g the 7th Milty. District
Head Quarters
Mobile

Col. McRea
Novr 17 1814

Ft. Stephens M. Ter.
November 17th 1814 —

Major Genl. A. Jackson

Sir,

Since my return to this place I have been informed Capt. Tiley intended resigning the appointment of Asst. Depty. Q. Genl. — Should he have done so — I beg leave to inform Your Excellency I would be glad to receive that appointment. From the troubles in which our country is unhappily involved, young men of my profession can profit but little by professional exertion and those of circumscribed fortunes are compelled to seek employment in other business — Should Your Excellency be good enough to honor me with your confidence I will endeavor to prove worthy of it by my best exertions to do my duty. For information respecting my qualifications permit me to refer you to Majors Davis, McCollough, and Mitchell — all of whom are intimately acquainted with me. —

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I have the honor to be

Very respectfully

Your Excellency's Obt. Servt.

Thos. A. Rogers

Major Genl. A. Jackson

Captn Rodgers appli
cation for apptt A D Qlly
March 17, 1814

Major Genl Andrew Jackson
Hous Quarters
Fort Montgomery.

Camp at Fourth Mieux 17th Novr 1814

To The Hounourable Brigr Genl Jno Coffee

Dr Sir we your Petitioners wish to communicate our General request.

Sir we at your call Leapt for Joy to Raise Volunteers to serve under your command and which we do at this time and have at all times Took a Pleasure in serveing you, and now the call of your country unexpected to us have taken you away from amongst us which we very much regret; but finding no remedy to avoid it, we leave you with reluctance — we your Petitioners understand we are to be commanded by a certain Majr Blue a united States officer which did not belong to your Core of mounted Volunteers — which does not meet our Genl. aprobation not but what we all think Highly of Majr Blue as far as have Experienced his Talantz in the manuvering of war but it is our wish to be commanded by some commander that belongs to your Core, Either made choice of by a majority or by your own appoint=ment which would give us Equal Satisfaction and we your Petitioners wish to intrude on your Kindness which we flatter ourselves we have hetherto done, to communicate the above request to Majr Genl. Andrew Jackson — and relying on your friendship towards us, we hope to get an answer relative to the above requests; and your Petitioners will Ever Pray —

William Russel Capt
Robert Steele Capt
Isaac Williams Capt
William Ruggles Capt
Hilman Hodges Capt
James [illegible]

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Brigadr John Coffee

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Express

Choctaw nation
100 miles above St Stephens
thursday night Nov: 17th 1814

Dear Genl

I shall early on tomorrow proceed on my way to Mobille by way of St Stevens unless I there hear of you being at Fort Montgomery or else where with a view personaly to report myself to you — I will halt at St Stevens one or two days to refresh my horses. If you have any commands for me before I have the pleasure to wait upon you I will hope to to receive them there

I pass Captain Trimble yesterday with 69 mounted infantry from East Tennesse he wishes

to

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to be informed at St Stevens to which
point he shall march

I am with consideration
of high respect

Dear Sir

Your obt Servant

J Winchester

Maj Gen Andrew Jackson

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Genl Allen Chester Thur
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St Stephens No 7
20th Nov 1814

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His Excellency
Major Genl A. Jackson

7th Military district

Nashville Nov. 18th 1814

Dear Sir,

I have just time to inclose you a copy of my letter of this date to the Secy War – and to say that I am yours truly

Willie Blount

Major Genl. Jackson

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Copy

Nashville Nov.r 18th 1814

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit to you for the information of Govt. the copy of a letter, in form of a deposition, from Wm. H. Robertson to Judge Toulmin, dated "Fort Stoddert 25th Oct.r 1814", respecting the conduct of the British and Spaniards at Pensacola, and in the vicinity of that place, which after being known to our Government, certainly would justify the U.S. in taking possession of Pensacola, and continuing in the occupation thereof, and until they known & ordered, delays would be dangerous to the U.S. — So long as the British are permitted to be there, and to exercise such conduct, so long, may the south western section of the U.S. expect to be harrassed by them, and by straggling parties of hostile Indians, by disaffected white men, and by run-away and plundered negroes, who have an assylum there, and who will flock to the British standard by invitation; such choice spirits will huddle together — I earnestly hope and fully believe that their schemes and plans, calculated to injure our frontier will be broken up; and that those deluded people thus influenced by the British will be rendered harmless in their future conduct by the gallant patriot and friend to his country Major Genl. Jackson, who is, at all times, on the alert and promptly acts, against such workers of mischief — I have the honor to be very respectfully

your obt. Servant

Willie Blount

The Honble James Monroe
Secy War

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Governor Blount
October 1814 (no answer)

Enclosing copy of Letter to Sec. of War advising the annexation of Pensacola.

NASHVILLE Va. 13

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Governor Blount
Octobr. 1814 (no answer)

Enclosing copy of Letter to Secy of War advising the occupation of Pensacola

NASHVILLE Va. 13

Head Quarters Nashville
Nov.r 18th 1814.

Maj. Genl. Andrew Jackson,

Dear Sir,

My letter of the 15th will advise You that all things were necessary to transport the troops down the river.— I have now the honor to inform You that the 2nd Regiment set out this morning for Clarksville where boats and provisions are prepared for them.— On Monday, the first and part of the 3rd., I hope will leave this place; the balance with a few delinquents will follow us as soon as possible under the command of Genl. Smith.— Our delinquents are now not more than 300 and some of these are Expected to day.— I will report to You from the mouth of Cumberland, Fort Pickering and Natchez.

We have had a continual rain for the last five days— Cumberland is unusually high.— I hope You will Excuse the step I have taken; had I not been persuaded that it wd. meet Your approbation, if You had had a view of things here and that I could reach Mobile or New Orleans

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two days sooner than going by land, I should have adhered strictly to your order. The ~~letter~~ enclosed copy of a letter will shew the delay that would have been occasioned had we started to go by land.

I am, Sir, ~~with sentiments~~ of high Respect

Yr. mo. Ht. Servt.

Wm. Carroll
Majr. Genl.

Majr. Genl. Andrew Jackson
commanding the 7th. Military district
Mobile

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Jno Carrollsmith
N Orleans 18 Novr
1814 no ansr.

Camp at Cassons Ferry 18th Novr. 1814

Dear Genl.

I have taken the liberty to enclose to you, the address of the officers left under the command of Major Blue, this is the first intimation that has reached me of any dissatisfaction among them, and this comes to my hand this moment, begging of me to permit the bearer to forward their request to you, which I have granted — I am sorry to see such uneasiness in our troops, at the same time believe that a reply from you will more completely quiet their uneasiness, than any thing I could do, would, and under that impression I trouble you with it — knowing that you will do them justice, the government, and service also —

I am Dr. Genl. very respectfully

Your obt. Servt.

Jno Coffee

Brigr. Genl.

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Genl. Coffee enclosing
Petition of his officers
Novr. 18 1814

Major Genl.
Andrew Jackson
on the road to
Mobile

Express

Major Genl

Andrew Jackson

on the road to

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Genl. Coffee enclosing

Petition of his officers

March 18. 1814

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Dear Sir

[illegible] should the Gene[illegible]

of an [illegible] m. Genl, I wou[illegible]

beg [illegible] through you

to [illegible] more 4. Rogers [illegible] who

has be[illegible] me for [illegible]

months past & who is

well qualified fo[illegible]

would willingly [illegible]

— Should there be [illegible]

I do not wish Mr [illegible]

mentioned as an [illegible]

for the appoi[illegible]

[illegible] am I [illegible]

[illegible] Sir

[illegible] Your [illegible]

[illegible]

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Geo S Gaines Treat 18
1814.

J Butler

J. Morrison

B. Buchanan

L Butler

J. Montgom

D. Buchanan

Geo S Gaines Feb. 18
1814

Fort Montgomery 18th Nov. 1814

Sir

I left Fayetteville in Tennessee with the 2nd Regiment of W. T. M. under the appointment of Surgeons 1st Mate by the appointment of Alexr. Lowery who was recognised as the Colo. Commanding that Regiment - When we arrived at Fort Claiborne Colo R. W. Hart ordered me to remain there with the sick that would be left at that post amounting to between 70 & 80 many dangerously ill. Being at the time disappointed by that order from proceeding to head quarters with my Regiment as I had wished to do, I demanded of the Colo his motives for the order (which was only a verbal one) His reply perfectly satisfyed me, being in substance this, that as all the sick of the Regiment would be left there, & as I had done nearly the whole of the business as Surgeon in the Regiment & being the only one that he could have confidence in, I must suppress all my desires of going further for the present. I have not only attended to the sick upon the march but have had uniformly to see to them that were left sick at the different forts, & by individual exertions, procured all the Hospital stores that we got after

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we left Fayetteville, no other person having attended
to these important points, & in some instances I have
had to pack the hospital stores in my pocket Hand=
kerchief & upon my horse, All these things I did
cheerfully conceiving it was only discharging my
duty

The legallity of Cols Harts ordering me to re=
main at Fort Claiborne is with you to Judge, as to
the attention to the sick or any other thing that I have done in the
Regiment I stand amenable to my superiors

The cause of my being at this post at this time
is simply this, when I was left at Fort Claiborne
I discovered a defficiency not only in the Medical
Supplies of the fort but also a ~~[illegible]~~ defficiency
in the Hospital Stores which circumstance I
immediately reported to the Inspector Genl. &
Cols Hart who stated it would be my duty immediately
to inform the Commanding Officer at this post by
express, which I have done in two letters (coppies of
which I have) without any relief, There is not
at that post ~~nor~~ has there been for 8 or 10 days
past one ounce of Sugar or a dose of medicine
suitable to the prevailing complaints. The troops left
there are much upon the mend, having lost but
one of the whole number left, & him I think entirely
for the want of necessary medicines

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My commanding officer being advised of the situation of the place advised my coming down to this place to see if the difficulties could not be obviated, but I find it impossible short of Mobile, & as such have made out a Requisition hoping that it may be attended to

Doct. Nourse acting as Surgeon to our Regiment having resigned, & I being the first mate, (if it is usual, or meets your approbation) I solicit that appointment, I ask no more than my rank & qualifications may entitle me to receive. I shall return to my post in the morning, awaiting your pleasure upon the subject

With much
Respect Yours
Tho Lappingar

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Major Genl. A Jackson

Mobile

[illegible] Washington
18 Sept 1814

Major Genl. A Jackson

Mobile

Arch. Washington
18 Novr 1814

New Orleans November 19th 1814

Sir,

Private accounts represent you to have entered Pensacola on or about the 8th Instant. — I await with anxiety the particulars; but I cannot for a moment delay offering you my congratulations on the event. — It has given here the sincerest pleasure, and will I am certain be highly approved thro' out the United States. —

You will recollect, that by the orders of the Secretary at War making a requisition on the several States for an auxiliary Militia force, the Brigade to be drawn from Louisiana and the Mississippi Territory, was entitled to one Brigadier General and one Deputy Quarter Master General; the latter officer has been furnished by Governor Holmes, and the Brigadier remains to be designated by me. — The Generals of Brigade in this State, are as you may suppose solicitous of this command, & I owe it to them to make a selection; lest however an early Nomination might interfere with some of your arrangements, I have thought it proper previously to apprise you of my Intentions. — In a few days I shall give you the name & Character of the Brigadier, who will be ordered on Duty, and sincerely hope he may prove worthy of your confidence. —

I am Sir,
very Respectfully
Your humble Servant

William C. C. Claiborne

Major General Jackson. —

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Major General Andrew Jackson

Commanding the 7th Military District

Lieut. Folkie

Mobile

Governor Claiborne
Nov 19. 1814

Major General Andrew Jackson

Commanding the 7th Military District

Lieut.t [illegible]

Mobile

Governor Claiborne

Nov. 19. 1814

Fort Montgomery 19th Mar. 1814

Sir Doct. Pafington who is here at this time and who was appointd first mate in Col. Alexr. Lowry Regt. wishes to know from you if he is not intitled to the rank of Regimental surgeon I left him at Fort Alabama and he has come on for the purpose of procuring Medicine If the Doct. could be appointd Regt. Surg. I would be very glad for I well know he has been of more service to the Regt. than all the others in his line of Business

Yours with consideration and Respt

R. W. Hart

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Maj. Moore Sheam
19th 1814

Major Genl. A. Jackson
Mobile

Choctaw Agency Nov. 19 1814

Sir,

On the 8th Inst. I arrived at the Agency and met your letter of the 19 Ult. I was very sick and with difficulty reached home, and since my return have been unable to stir out. On my way thro the Nation (and I learn it is the case generally) I found the towns abandoned, the people had either gone a hunting or into the settlements to pick cotton. I have sent out for the principal men that have been left, and if I find it possible to assemble a force to promise any usefulness I will immediately set about it, but at present I am of opinion that it will be impossible to collect any considerable number of Warriors until they return from the woods.

I have rec.d a letter from the War Department but not a word on indian affairs - it assures me of compensation equal to my predecessor. Mr. James Brown writes on the 12 Ult. that Blankets were on their way for the Choctaws & Chickasaws.

I was informed on my way home that some of the troops in passing thro the the Choctaw country had committed unjustifiable outrages at

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some of the settlements. I immediately employed Mr. Gray Simms a majistrate on the frontier to go up the road as far as Mr Pitchlynn and ascertain and report to me what damages had been done and by whom and to assure the injured of prompt and ample indemnity. If the indians with you should have heard any thing on this subject it may be well to inform them of the measure taken to render them justice.

I have the honor to be
with very great respect & esteem,
Sir
Your Obedient Servant.

John McKee

Major Genl. Andrew Jackson
command. of W.T. District

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Col. McKee 14 Novr
1814 to be ans^d

New Orleans Nov. 19th 1814

Sir

I forward monthly returns of the 44th Regt. & have delayed it in hopes of receiving monthly reports from Captns Baker & Butler; they are however with you on duty & from their reports to your Office you will discover the actual State of the Regement.

Respectfully

Yr Obt Servt.

Ro: T. Ross

Col 44 R.

P.S.

The Certificates relative to Sergt. Christy, Private Bean Goodwin & Hammon are forwarded to explain to the Commanding General the cause of discharge should he so direct. these men are of the 44th. Prickett is of 24th & delivered himself up as a deserter under the Presidents Proclamation. R. T. R.

Col Robert Butler

Adjt. Genl.

7th M. D.

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Colo. Robert Butler
Adjt. General
7 M. D.
Mobile

From Lieut. Col. Hayne
15th Novr. 1814
On the subject of
the Monthly Return

Jessee [illegible]
is a Slave

Colo. Robert Butler
Adjt. General
7 M. D.
Mobile

Tenn. Vols. Capt.
15 Nov. 1814
On the subject of
his Monthly return

Dr Sir,

New York, 1814, 20th Nov^r.—

I have been put in possession of information with the intention that it be communicated to you, and from a source on which much reliance may be placed, that there are mercantile individuals in London, having the best access to correct information, who are governed in their views of Cotton by the anticipated reduction of New Orleans, an event which is calculated upon with the utmost confidence, from a knowledge of the extent of means to be employed, independent of the forces under Lord Hill. It is believed, that all the forces will be withdrawn from the Chesapeake &c. &c. I have thought it my duty to communicate, by the same mail which brings you this, the substance of this communication to the Secretary of War.

With the highest respect & attachment.

Charles Cassedy

Maj^r Genl. A. Jackson.

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Charles C[illegible]day
20 Novr 1814

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Maj. Genl. Andrew Jackson forwd.
Comm[ande]r 7th Military
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Maj. Genl. Andrew Jackson
Head Quarters 7th. Military
District. Mobile
New Orleans

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Soldiers Retreat near Natchez
[illegible]th November 1814.

Sir

I owe you an apology — my private avocations have been so multifarious since my return home, that I have not had it in my power, without considerable personal injury, to pay that attention to my friends, which my feelings always [illegible] to acknowledge, and though I may be last in congratulating you, on your succession to the Command of the Seventh Military District, I trust I am not the less sincere in declaring that I am proudly pleased, and now that my private affairs are in a state of arrangement, nothing would be more gratifying to me than to take a part, an active part in the war, and to act with you & under your immediate orders — and further Sir, that there is no service I could render you, but would greatly create my own felicity.

I have to beg your [illegible] for having to intrude on your consideration the subject of a large portion of the First Regiment of Mississippi Volunteers lately under my command; many have been paid, some remain unpaid, and a considerable portion paid

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paid but a very small part of their pay. General Flourney ordered the Pay-Master Captain Knight to meet the Regiment at Natchez, and relieve the Government from the claims of so many claimants; which from experience you are well acquainted affects affects the Government and mars the best of Characters. Captain Knight was unfortunately ordered to the North before the payment was completed, and many of the officers and privates are without their pay. I have all the documents and papers left with me and so arranged by Capt. Knight, that a paymaster can with great facility make the payment, of this Capt. Pemberton is duly apprized, he having been ordered by Genl Flourney to close this business, but as I understand have been prevented for want of proper authority to draw for means.

I hope and trust you will take this subject into consideration and relieve the Government from those they ought I do delight in doing ample justice to, by ordering the Disbursement.

With sincere best wishes for your Military fame and your personal health.

I have the Honor to be
your most obt Servt

Major Genl Jackson. Ferdinand L. Claiborne

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His Excellency

Major General Andrew Jackson

Commanding 7th Military District

Head Quarters

~~Mount Vernon~~ Orleans

Genl Anderson
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His Excellency

Major General Andrew Jackson

Commanding 7th Military District

Head Quarters

Mount Vernon N. Orleans

Genl. Anderson
20 Novr 1814
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New Orleans Novr 20th 1814

Private

My Dr Sir,

Seeing the [illegible], the [illegible] arrange=
=ment I break in upon [illegible] I believe, they will
=[illegible] become [illegible] and that the only
be well directed, and that the only
nomination of a Brigadier, [illegible]
[illegible] I have thought
proper to delay such Commiss=
=ion, until you could be heard from.

One thousand of the Militia
of this State, including a Detach=
=ment of Light Infantry, which
arrived in last evening from the [illegible]
=[illegible] are now in the field, and
General Holmes has, I understand
completed also the requisite
from the Mississippi Territory. Hence
I esteem it a duty I owe to Louisiana,
to [illegible] for her the honor of fur=
=nishing you with a Brigadier.
I shall have some difficulty in
in making the selection; there are
four Brigadiers in the State,
and each wish the command;—
—All are I believe, alike inexperi=
=enced in Military matters, but
brave and Patriotic.

The two Houses of the Legislature

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have prepared in letter highly approba-
-tory of your Military Services, &
which will be forwarded to you in
~~due time~~ by an honorable and
I trust not a more acceptable
Reward, than the approbation of
our Country. — May you be long
happy &c. —

Lieutenant Faulkner of the
detached Militia will have
the honor to deliver you this
Letter, — he has been named the
Pay-Master of his Regiment, &
goes to solicit your compensati-
-on. — Faulkner, is an orderly
man, a brave man &
I believe an honest man.

I am &c.

Your sincere friend
William C. C. Claiborne

Major General Jackson.

Governor Claiborne
Novr. 20 1814

Major General Jackson
Commanding the 7th Mili-
=tary District
Mobile
Lieut [illegible]

Major General Jackson

Commanding the 7th Mili=
=tary District

Lieut [illegible] Mobile

Governor Claiborne
Novr 20 1814

St. Stephens Nov. 20th 1814

Sir

You were enquiring of me the other day, for a fit person to fill the appointment of Asst. D. Q. Master in case Capt. Camp resigned — I would beg leave to recommend to you, Thos. A. Rogers of this place, late clerk in the Legislature of Tenn. as a man of business, activity & enterprise and in my opinion well qualified for this appointment — Majr. McCullock joins me in this recommendation — If there should be any letters in the office at Mobile for me, you would confer

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or on by having them sent
to Murfreesboro. Genl
Winchester will be here to day
says the post rider —
With every wish for your
welfare & happiness I remain
your friend & obt. servt.

S. D. Hays

Major Genl A. Jackson

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St Stephens No 23 ~~10¢~~
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Majr Genl A. Jackson

Mail. ~~ Mobile.

Colo S. D. Hays
Novr 20 1814

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Majr. Genl. A. Jackson

Mail. Mobile.

Col. R. Hays
Novr. 20 1814

Nov. no. 1814

Extract of a Letter from Major General Andrew Jackson, dated Head Quarters, 7th Military District, Mobile Nov. 20th 1814.

"I leave this for New Orleans on the 22d instant, and if my health permits, shall reach there in twelve days. I travel by land to have a view of the points at which the enemy might effect a landing."

P.S. "It is with regret that I do this, before the arrival of Genl. Winchester, as Genl. Taylor, of East Tennessee, will be up in a few days, and being the eldest officer, will assume the command. He has delayed the militia on their march, constantly complaining, and rumour states, is very subject to intoxication; leaving Lieut. Col. Arbuckle of the 3d Infantry (who, having no Recruiting officers, left Washington to visit me,) in command of Fort Charlotte, Fort Bowyer, and the 3d Regt. U.S. Infantry, with instructions to co-operate with the militia for the general defence of this quarter, until the arrival of Genl. Winchester. I hope Lieut. Col. Arbuckle will be permitted to remain in command here, as he is the only officer of that rank of the U.S. Army in this quarter, since the order to Col. Sparks to superintend the recruiting for his Regiment. If he is not permitted to remain, when the militia and regulars act together, the Colonels of Militia will, of course, command. This will be unsafe. One of his Majors can superintend the Recruiting district, as soon as Col. Milton returns the officers and men destined for that service. He has designed to advise me that they are on their return march, and that he has resigned."

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I have ordered Genl. Coffee, with two thousand of his Brigade, to march and cover New Orleans, until the militia from West Tennessee, and those from Kentucky reach that point. I have ordered the Dragoons from the Mississippi Territory to a halfway point between this and New Orleans to be foraged (there being no longer any supplies in this quarter.) this squadron can be ordered to either point at which their services are most wanted. I have directed about 1000 volunteer horse, part of Genl Coffee's Brigade, with what Indian force can be raised, to scour the Escambia, Yellow Water, &c &c, under the command of Major Blue of the 39th Infantry, with orders, if the necessary supplies of forage and Provisions can be obtained, to pursue the fugitive Creeks into the Seminole towns, and destroy them and their crops. Thus I leave the posture of my district, and its security much depends on the arrival of General Winchester to take the command.

The recruits of the 24th and 39th ordered to this point have not arrived, nor have I had any account of them since their march. They ought to have been up as soon as Capt. W. O. Butler, of the 44th who joined me on the 1st instant. He marched with the spirit of an officer who panted with ardour to meet the enemy.

Before I close this communication, permit me to suggest a plan, which will, on a fair experiment, do away or lessen the expences incurred under the existing mode of calling militia forces into the field, whenever there happens to be a deficiency in the regular force in any

particular

particular quarter. Let the Government determine on the number of troops necessary to be employed: for example, say 150,000 men. This number should be apportioned to the different States agreeably to the representation thereof, and called into service for and during the war. The respective quotas will, in my opinion, be soon raised, by the premiums offered by those subjects to militia duty, rather than be harassed by repeated drafts. Let the bounty at present offered by Government, be also given. It will ensure an immediate force in the field, who (being placed under the officers now in commission, and the most experienced men selected for office) will present an effective army in every quarter, sufficient to drive all enemies from our Shores, and to reduce Canada.

At once to put an end to the Indian warfare in the North West, offer a large bounty in lands, in that territory, to an army who will [illegible] themselves to engage in that contest and make themselves masters of the soil, furnish them with arms and rations only, and you will have immediate possession of the country, and, notwithstanding the pretentions of Great Britain to the contrary, "peace with the Indians."

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Jackson to Sec.
Nov. 20th 1814

Head Quarters
Sixth District } Savannah 20th November 1814.—

Sir

I had the honor of receiving by the last mail from Fort Hawkins your letter of the 3rd of October, and in answer to the question therein contained concerning the route of the troops destined for your command and now collecting at Fort Hawkins under the command of Major General McIntosh, including an incidental attack on the Seminoles now in hostility with us, I have to inform you, that in my opinion these troops could not be better employed than by being ordered down the Ocmulgee, to the vicinity of Hartford on that river, and within the settlements of Georgia, to which point they could be well supplied with provisions: and from thence by a march of one hundred and thirty or forty miles, they might destroy all the principal settlements of the Seminoles; and if you are authorised to give such orders, they would according to my information meet with little difficulty in taking possession of Fort St Marks on the Bay of Apalachicola: this measure would probably secure the neutrality of the lower Creeks, or our operations of the

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last campaign crushed the opposition of the upper Towns: the movement might also make a diversion in favor of any operations you may meditate in the neighborhood of Pensacola: after the accomplishment of this expedition it appears to me that this force should re-ascend the Ocmulgee and proceed by Fort Hawkins and the chain of Posts established through the Nation to Fort ~~Jackson~~; this route would be circuitous from the scene of action above mentioned, but I do not think they could be subsisted in any more direct course, while by the route above proposed they would pass through the settlements as far as Fort Hawkins, and One hundred thousand rations have been already ordered to Fort Mitchell for their subsistence.-

We have a sufficient quantity of arms prepared for them at Fort Hawkins, and they shall receive all the necessaries for the field at my disposal; and you may be assured, that, I will endeavor to have them as well accommodated as if they were to remain under my Command.- As I cannot issue orders to the Contractors in the Seventh District, it will be necessary for you to direct supplies

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supplies for them after they leave Fort Mitchell, from which point they can however if necessary take as much provi=sions as their means of transportation will admit: From Fort Jackson I presume you will direct them to descend the River in flat boats, which may be there collected or constructed previous to their arrival, whereby much fatigue to the Troops will be avoided, and all the expense of transportation by land be saved.—

I have given the above ideas in compliance with your request, and I will offer no apology for adding the further suggestion, occasioned by the intelligence contained in your letter of a meditated attack on New Orleans, which is that you should spare no trouble or expense you can command to erect respectable Works of defence at that City.— an able Engineer employing the labor of the numerous black population which I presume might be obtained either by voluntary contributions, or on hire, would soon erect such works as would oblige the Enemy on an enterprize against it, to carry with him a train of heavy Artillery and to

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pass through all the formalities of a regular siege; but in my opinion if they are informed that you have there respectable works, sufficient artillery mounted, and an adequate supply of ammunition, they will not risk the attack, or if they should, the time they must necessarily consume in the operation, would ensure their defeat: and New Orleans and Mobile being secured, no other object of their cupidity or their vengeance would remain within your District. - A few spades full of dirt earth judiciously disposed, frequently prevent the effusion of much blood: of this observation I am so well aware, that since the increase of the disposable force of the Enemy on the Atlantic frontier and the menaces of Admiral Cochran, I have been busily employed in fortifying the valuable and assailable points of this District. - Charleston is I trust nearly beyond their reach: the defences of Savannah are progressing and the minor points of the Sea coast are receiving such protection as circumstances will admit. -

I have the honor to be very respectfully
Sir your most Obedient Servant. -

Thomas Pinckney

Major Genl
Andrew Jackson -

Nov. 20th 1814

Extract from Sundry letters in 1814 from Havana

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August 5. To Mess. John Sibbald & Co. Leith

No. 1. "Two Sloops of War, the Hermes and Carron, have sailed this morning for Pensecola and Mobile, with a detachment of Marines, artillery &c. to aid and assist the Indians in that quarter — Consequently a bloody War will be prosecuted in that Section; and all the Trade to and from Pansecola Cut off — as the Americans will not permit any produce to pass down any of the waters to Mobile or Pensecola — nor any of the Lakes after the landing of those Troops; which will take place in 10 or 12 Days."

Aug. 5 To William Shute Esq. London, care of Finlay, Bannatyne & Co.

No. 2 "Your Bill in favor of M. Frias on James & Alex. McCadam has been returned under protest. Mr. Frias procured in Antigua what funds he wanted — Nothing new since your departure; except the British have sent a detachment to Pensecola and Mobile — Consequently all Trade w. Pensecola and Mobile is at an End."

Sep. 3. To: L. Denham, Jam.

"All the Trade between the Citizens of Louisiana

Aug. 11 To Geo. P. Stevenson Esq. Baltimore

No. 3. "The measures lately taken and now taking by the British will prevent any further shipments of Flour from Pensacola and Amelia — However I presume that no more Shipments will be made from England, as British flour will not command $12 here when good Phil. commands $20 &."

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Sep. 3 To J. Denham Jama. "All the Trade between the Colonies of Louisiana, and Pensacola and other Territories are at

No. 4 an End, in consequence of the arrival of some Troops British and Indians; in the neighbourhood of Pensacola: — and fears are entertained there Genl Jackson will proceed without delay to take Possession of Pensylvania, unless the Troops are immediately withdrawn.

The British intend to fortify Mobile point — in order to cut off all communication between the River & Lakes & Pensacola." 3

Sep. 24 To James & Michl. Curran, Barbados. Cetam of ms 4

No. 5. "The expedition which sailed for Pensacola has arrived there; and the Colo. Nichols has landed his artillery and Troops; in order to wait the arrival of the Indians, to attack Louisiana Territory Mobile &c:"

Oct. 12 To J White Cadiz.

"The expedition mentioned in my last, for Pensacola

No. 7 ag. Mobile, and which failed; with the loss of the Hermes. Sloop of War, at Mobile Point, in attempting to pass the Fort, has caused a total Embargo in Louisiana; and all communication is cut off between New Orleans and Pensacola — consequently nothing can be got out of that Territory, till the Troops withdraw from Pensacola; to which place they have returned and encamped — and their Colo Nichols, wounded in the Head and Leg.

1814 : General Ross has entered the City of Washington and destroyed Congress Hall, the Presidents House, the Arsenal &c: — the next point of attack is to be Baltimore. — Montevideo. Surrendered the 19th June — they restored peace to their former state without confusion"!

Nov. [illegible] For Mess. Baring Brothers & Co. N. M. Rothschild Esq. and Mess. Wm. Whiteside [?] Brothers & Co.

No. 8. "Pensacola was taken possession of, in consequence of its having been for some time occupied by the British Troops — Admiral Cochrane was at Jam[?]. on the 17th Instant, and was to sail for Pensacola on this day; with an expedition against Louisiana and Mobile — but General Jackson who commands there, having anticipated his views, is before hand with him, and has a force more than sufficient, to meet any the Admiral can carry against it. —

However we shall soon know the result here, and you shall receive information thereof". 3

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No. 6.

To Messrs. John Forbes & Co. Pensacola

I have heard nothing more of the Ship - of the arrival. I presume I may send her on to you, as accounts from thence is unfavorable for procuring pro[duce] in consequence of the Landing of the British Troops in your City - which leads us to believe that all Communication will soon be cut off between Pensacola & Neworleans &c: - or Pensacola no longer considered Neutral ground. This is the general Opinion - and has deterred several from sending out vessels to Pensacola to Load.

Pray what is the true State of that Country and what have we to expect in regard to getting produce from Pensacola? It is my present intention to pay you a visit in November with a part of my family on my way to Neworleans, and it is my wish when I return to bring a cargo from Pensacola - which must be collected and shipped during my stay in Neworleans. It is also my wish - I am also anxious in case of the intended invasion of that Country, say Neworleans, to bring <u>over with me</u>, my <u>Father & Mother in Law</u> and <u>family</u>; who are now too old and infirm to encounter such difficulties; particularly as they reside on the Margin of the Lake, far from the City, where every thing would be first destroyed and laid waste. Their sons are both absent and can not go to their relief, &c. &c.

Camp at Carsons ferry, M. T.
21st November 1814

Major Genl. A. Jackson

Sir, Want of forage has kept me here untill this time, since here I have not had more than one gallon of corn perday for my horses, late this evening I have got as much as will spare one peck to each horse, and with that I take up the line of march early tomorrow morning, not having a prospect of any better supply for many days, how our horses will hold out I cannot say, will have to graze at all convenient places— I have drawn 10 days rations of flour and 4 days of Beef, have sent on ahead in three waggons 21 Barrels flour, and have drawn on 40 Beeves, all of which is one and half days in advance of the Brigade —— The strength of Brigade that I shall march from this place will be about 1600, including officers, have not got a correct report as yet of the number of sick and their attendants ~~left~~ in the hospital, but suppose about 70 in all —— Doctr. Fore is detailed to attend the hospital, I sent for Doctr. Chambers, and he reports so many sick at Montgomery and not having your orders, I have thought it best to

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leave Doct. Flore who is acquainted with the
several cases — Captain Donelson company left
here this evening and have pushed on to meet
you —

Jacky Donelson is still low, since
you left here we thought him mending, untill yes-
terday he appeard worse, today he is again better
and I hope will recover, Col Smith will remain
with him untill he gets better, he is chearfull and
often speaks of going home — Wm. Donelson & Ld. Bandy
stays with him —

hope to have the pleasure
of seeing you on the road between here and
Battonrouge —

I have the honor to be
very respectfully
your obt. Servt. —

Jno. Coffee
Brigr. Genl.

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COMMERCIAL ADVERTISER, EXTRA.

NEW-YORK, *NOVEMBER 21st*, 1814.

FOREIGN NEWS TO SEPTEMBER 22d.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

PORTSMOUTH, Nov. [illegible]

Messrs. Lewis & Hall,

Arrived, last night, the private armed brig Grand Turk, of Salem, Nathan Green commander, from a cruize of 105 days, with a quantity of fruit, sugar and gum, and 50 prisoners. The Grand Turk has made 13 [illegible] of which the [illegible] ordered for southern ports, burnt 4, and delivered up one as a cartel; has boarded 36 sail of vessels, among which were— Sept. 8, lat. 48, 43, long. 11, 25, British brig Speculator, Thomas Hill, master, from Lanzorote for London, with a cargo of Barilla, which [illegible] was captured on the 14th of August last, by the privateer Grampus, of Baltim[illegible] as a cart[illegible] prisoners: supplied her with bread and water, of which they were in great want, being on an allowance of one biscuit per man for two days, and one drink of water per day. Sept. 30, lat 41, 16, long. 9, 43, private armed schooner Syren, of Baltimore, John Daniels, Esq. commander, 28 days from New-York, on a cruise. The Syren had made two captures one a ship loaded with salt, the other the brig Sir John Sherbroke, late the privateer Thorn, of Marblehead.

I send you, enclosed, a paragraph or two (all there was of consequence) in a Halifax paper, taken out of the Turk.

LONDON, Sept. 22.

Notwithstanding the rumor of the expeditions for America being stopped, the fact is that the preparations for sending considerable forces to that quarter of the world proceed upon a scale of rather increased than diminished extent, and with the greatest promptitude. Whatever may be the progress of the negociation at Ghent, the war, will, meanwhile, be, on the part of this country, prosecuted with the utmost vigor. It is probable that the rumor of Lord Hill's being appointed to the command of the forces in Scotland was the foundation of the inaccurate statements which have been made on this subject.

Liverpool, Sept. 22.—The Emperor of Russia was expected to set out from St. Petersburgh on the 12th, and to arrive at Vienna about the 26th. It was currently reported at Vienna, that the Archduke Charles was to be married to the Duchess of [illegible]burgh.—His Imperial Highness has returned to the capital from Egra. It appears that he has [illegible] a visit to the Archduche[illegible] where it was supposed she would [illegible] the meeting of Congress.

Parliament will [illegible] for the dispatch of business [illegible] or [illegible]

Plymouth, Sept. [illegible]—Sailed yesterday, His Majesty's ships Bedford, Norge, Dover, Alceste, Belle Poule, Hydra, Fox, Gorgon, Ulysses, Beacephalus, Niobe, and Portia with the Norfolk transports. The above ships constitute the expedition to America, and most of them are full of troops. Among the regiments embarked are the 4th, 44th, 93d and 95th of Foot; a brigade of Artillery and Rocket brigade are with them.

The Valiant of 74 guns, Capt. Mudge, which had been nominated to take out Lord Hill to America, and was fitted up with Congreve's guns, is altered in her destination. She is now going to the Brazils, with the Duncan of 74 guns, to convey the Royal Family of Portugal from Rio Janeiro to Lisbon.

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From the New york Coffee House books.

London papers to the 22d. Septr. arrived at Portsmouth, announce the sailing of Lord Hill, and his expedition for America, on the 18th. Septr. — Ten sail of men of war and some Transports &c. not [illegible] from Plymouth England

[illegible] Oct. 1814.

City of Washington
Nov. 21st 1814

Dear Sir,

We look with great anxiety towards Orleans not less on account of the supplies which will be necessary to make your army comfortable & which must be rendered precarious unless something is done here speedily to revive public credit, than for its military security; because we all have the consolation to believe that with equal means your enterprize, decision & arraingements will overcome the Great Lord Hill—should he come. I have but little military experience, but that has taught me how important it is that the Commanding Genl should know the real situation of the characters who supply his army. It is on this account I write you. Ward & Taylor are men of business & honest men but the inability of the Government to advance them funds may present them to you in an unfavourable light, if their real difficulties are not known to you. For even in times of difficulty the partial aid of the Government and the liberality of an

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influential commanding officer may enable
contractors disposed to do their duty, ^get along & may be invaluable
to all parties. To a mind intelligent as yours, and as
liberal more words ^would be superfluous. the proper discri-
-mination between necessity & want of inclination to
perform duty will be made. I have seen Mr. Tay's
letter to you. I can vouch for its not being at all
exagerated. Congress are tardy; & we want decision
of character, which is more important now than,
Speculation, Science & long speeches. The road is plain
and open before us. Common Sense & decision are
all that we want. I am not without hopes that
the Session may terminate with some effectual
measures. If at any time you can be served
at this place, in the way of business, or otherwise
you can command me with prayers for
your success to continue. I am with
Sentiments of sincere respect,
your Ob. & S.
Rh: M: Johnson

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R M Johnson
21 March 1814

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Rh: M: Johnson

Maj. Genl. Andw. Jackson
Comg. T. M. Div. Vols
Orleans

Nov. 21. 1814

Sir!

From the most imperious necessity, I am induced to request leave of absence for three Months; the reasons you already know; at the expiration of that time I will join the Regt. as soon as practicable

I am
very respectfully
Y. M. Sevt.
J. Woodruff
Maj. 3d Regt.

Maj. Genl.
A. Jackson
Comm. of
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Major Woodruff

21 Nov. 1814

Adjt. Genl Office
7. Mil Dist

Due Theophilus Powell one hundred Dollars for value received of him. Witness my hand and seal at Nashville this 7th day of September in the year 18[illegible]

Andrew Jackson (Seal)

Witness

Thos. L. Butler

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Recd. the within acct. in full of Genl.
Jackson for Theophilus Pearce
April 21st 1814 Charles F. Hall

Head Quarters 7 M D
Mobile Novr 22d 1814

I have waited with great solicitude for your arival, and was in hopes from the tenor of your letter of the 20th ulto. that I ~~would~~ should have had the pleasure of seeing you ~~xxx~~ before I set out for New orleans — I regret in this that I am disappointed, as verbally, I could given you a better Idea of this country and drawn your attention to its weak points, than I am enabled to ~~can be~~ ~~done~~ by a letter of instructions —

When you reach this you will take the command of the Troops and garrisons of Mobile, Fort Bowyer, and their vicinity, as well as those stationed at Forts Montgomery Claiborne, Jackson Decatur, Mitchel williams Stoddert and the troops stationed in their vicinities, with all other troops ordered for the defence of this section of the 7th Military District

~~No 7~~ — The enemy have been driven from Pensacola, it ~~may be that~~ They may retire to it as ~~abandon that place~~

as a point of concentration for their troops or a place of deposit of their supplies — and betake themselves to appolachicola and from thence attempt to penetrate the creek country — take Fort Jackson & cut off our supplies from that quarter — This you must guard against with vigilence, keeping up a frequent corres-pondence with Colo. Hawkins — To prevent this incursion ~~on this~~, I have ordered the detachment commanded by Major Blue of the 39th ~~of Mr~~ (and of which I have advised you in my letter from Judge Toulmins, on the morning of the 18 instant) forwarded by mail together with instructions to the major to scour the Escambia yallow water and if his supplies will authorize ~~him~~ to strike the Seminoles in their Towns and destroy their supplies — I have also instructed Colo. Hawkins at the head of his creek warriors and such auxiliary force as the Governor of Georgia might furnish for the purpose, to strike the Seminoles and hostile Indians from thence ~~that quarter~~, I have likewise ordered Major Genl McIntosh who commands the troops from Georgia

and now on his march to this place, if the force com=
=manded by Col. Hawkins, and there furnished for this campaign
by the Govr of Georgia is not competent to ensure the
object, in contemplation, to detach a sufficient force from his com=
=mand, who when combined with the other will be com
petent to ensure success, and if he deems it necessary
to use his whole force, to destroy them, and as soon as
this service is performed to hasten by forced —
marches to this Point — I have ordered the Bri
=gade from East Tennessee commanded by Bri
=gadier Genl Coalter to march direct to Fort
Montgomery — ~~This Brigade is 2000 strong~~ — you will
find stationed at Forts Clairborne & Montgomery
Genl Taylors Brigade which ought to be 2000 strong,
Col. Perkins Regt. and about 300 of the Madison
& Mississippi Militia and some at Fort Bowyer four companies
The 2d & 3d U.S. Infantry, with four companies
of the 24 and one of the 39th in all ~~sent to reinforce F. Bowyer~~
which will give you an effective force of
exclusive of Indians, and the Frontier Regt. that
are placed by order of the governor of this Territory
under the immediate call of the commander
of the District, and which will be under yours
of at least 4250 — Twenty five hundred on their march from
Georgia, & 2000 from East Tennessee when they arrive
will give you an effective force of at least 8000
men and which I trust will be competent to the
compleat protection of this section of the —
District and to afford me a reinforcement if re-
quired — The Indians must be exterminated and kept in
the field — to give you the Ideas ~~on this head~~ of our
government on this head, I enclose you a copy of a letter from
the secretary of war of date
The general order of the 19th instant predicated on the
an order from the war department of the 19th
ultimo, relating to the repair and safe keeping of
the arms will claim and receive your attention
the scarcity of arms requires the utmost precaution
~~in the preservation of~~ a corps of artificers of spirit — Before I close I

close I must bring to your view the original intention
of the enemy as far as I have been able from various
sources to collect— Their original plan was to carry
Fort Bowyer, and Fort Charlotte penetrate with the
Mobile Tombigby, and allabama, raise the Indians
draw them to their standard, and pass across the
Territory to the Mississippi— stir up an insur-
=rection of the negroes, cut off all supplies from
Neworleans, and the whole lower country would
fall, the attempt was made on Fort Bowyer
~~back~~ and the enemy nobly repulsed, they may
again attempt it— every exertion must be
made to support it— it is the key to the com
=munication with New orleans, from which
we derive all our supplies— I say it must be de-
=fended and supported— I have ordered part of the
Fort to be rebuilt under the superintendance
of Captn. Chamberlain and the materials
for the same— that these supplies be sent
on to Fort Bowyer by the quartermaster
and every aid afforded to the completion
of that work will claim your early atten-
=tion— I have added to its defence ~~guns~~ of long calliber, guns and was the
work compleated as contemplated ten thou-
=sand British troops cannot take it—

The enemy may attempt to effect a landing
at Pascagola, and to penetrate the country in
that direction, and cut of our supplies by
that means from New orleans, our gun boats
will be able I think to prevent them from
landing there— and if the should effect it—
they will be without transportation and
com and must be cut off before the penetrate
the country far— I leave the main body of
the Troops encamped at Fort Montgomery as
the most eligable point to cover mobile, to
check an enemy from Pensacola— and to
give immediate relief to Fort Bowyer, should

the enemy attempt to attack ~~Fort Bowyer~~ by land
but as the reinforcements arrive it will be for you
to post them for the best security of the country
you are left to protect, always gaining the ear-
liest information of the approach of the enemy
being carefull to guard against his feints, when
his real intention is to strike at a different
point — and not to be entrapt by his real designs when
masked as feints — The 2 & 3d U. S. Infantry is among
the finest Troops in the world, and they are as well
officered — In the day of danger, both officers &
men are to be relied on — for them the post
of danger is their post of honor — the Militia
are fine material, but not so well officered
as I could wish, I have appointed Capt Wm. O.
Winston acting adjutant Genl, and ordered him
to report to you here — I have appointed
Lieut. Charles Stephens of the 3d Infy acting Inspector Genl
and have him subject to your order, the former
I presume you are acquainted with, the latter
is as worthy a man and as good an officer as
any of his age — I beg leave to recommend him
to your notice —

With the foregoing remarks I assign you
the immediate command of this section of the 7th M. D.
that is to say from Pascagola to the Eastern
limits of the ~~7th District~~ State as far north as the
line near Tennessee — and on all matters &
things not specifically mentioned, in the fore-
going instructions & remarks you must
exercise your own discretion as it relates
to the defence of the same keeping me always advised
of every circumstance & occurrence worthy to
communicate —

Chickasaw Agency house 22nd Novemb^r 1814

Dear Genl Enclosed is a letter written you as of ~~the 28th~~
the 28 of January which I have long expected to have been
able to have delivered with my own hand the little Services
I have rendered while under your Command no account
has been made of them by Col^o Dyer or any of the Staff
department under your Command I set Out from Nash
ville on the 26th of November the day the Genl assembley
adjourned and Continued under Col^o Dyer untill the
28th of January at which time you sent me to procure
provision and to hurry on the troops from East Ten
nessee this I did according to the best Skill and ability
I possesed untill I receaved a letter on the 18th of
Aprile written by Governor Blount of the date
of the 12 informing me that he thaught it advisable
for me to content my self untill I might be Called on
by the President this admonition Commanded my
Silance & I wrote to you advising you that as the
full time for which I had Volenteerd had Ended
and my tender of further Services not Accepted
I considered my self no longer in the employment of
the public & as I was every way at a loss to know

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in what Estimate my Services might be Considered or what Compensation if any might be thought proper to make me I requested Some information on the Subject from you believeing that you would Order & do what ever of right Aught to be done I have receivd no answer & my name does not appear mentioned in any manner or way to the pay master or on any Inrolement or return as he has informed me I know that you will do what ever you know to be right in the premeses and Shall receive your advice or Order on the Subject the mare you let me have at fort Strother I have had delivered to Major Butler assistant Quater master and found my own mare had been taken & imployed as a pack beast & much abused I am now the agent for the U.S to the Chickasaws & am glad to find that so considerable apart of the Chiefs & warry ears are now with you & Should Surcumstances require any further exertions from the Chicka saws you know that it will be my first Care and greatest Glory to render you & my Country Every Service in my power I am dear Genl yours most respectfully

Wm Cocke agent for U.S to Chickasaws

Wm Cocke 22 Jan
as to Chickasaws

Mayor Genl Andrew Jackson

Hand by
Colo Dorgan

Mobile November 22nd 1814.

Having attended for some time upon Captn William McClelland of the 7th regiment, whose indisposition has not been removed by the usual treatment in such Cases And being of Opinion that Change of Climate would restore his former health I do recommend it to him as soon as he can procure

Robt Huston
G. Surg. Mate

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Mobile 22d Novr 1814

Dear Genl,

My indisposition prevents me from attending you in person. Enclosed you have Doctor Houston's Certificate relative to my health.

I am Respectfully

Your Obdt Servt

Wm McClellan

Capt 7th U.S. Regt Infy

Maj. Genl Andrew Jackson

Comdg 7 M. D.

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Major Genl. Andrew Jackson

Com. of 7th Military District

Present

Capt. McClelland

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Major Genl. Andrew Jackson

Com. of 7 Military District

Present

Capt. McClellan

22. Nov 1814

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Choctaw Agency Nov 22. 1814

Sir,

I have the honor to inclose reports from Mr. Simms of the 9 & 11 instant for Your information. As soon as I can see the indians who complain of these injuries I will satisfy their demands, and am sorry that such complaints can be made with justice.

Some of the influential Choctaws are now with me and more are expected in a few days, they seem willing to do any thing they are asked, but as I stated before, the warriors are too generally absent to calculate on a considerable force immediately. As soon as the chiefs from the settlements on the Yazoo river come in I will be better able to calculate what can be done and will advise you: Provision ought to be made for supplying them when embodied as well as for paying the debts contracted for those who are now out, for some of these debts about 91 or 92 Dollars I am responsible to the indians

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and they will take nothing but specie.

I have the honor to be
with great respect & esteem
Your obedient servant
John McKee

Major General Andrew Jackson
Comdg 7th M. District

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P.S. I wrote you on the 15 by way of the Chickasaws

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Colo McKee with
inclosures to [illegible]
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Panzacola 22 de Noviembre de 1814

Exmo Señor

He recibido por Mr. Sterrart la carta de V.E. del 16 del corriente, por la qual se sirve decirme, que en uno de los Carros de su Exto se halló un Cajon con varios ornamentos de Yglesias; solicitando V.E. con este motivo le diga el parage donde estaba depositado: Segun resulta de las informaciones que he tomado se hallaba el expresado cajon en la sala de Armas del Regimiento de la Luisiana.

Mr. Sterrart me ha entregado la Bandera que V.E. ha tenido la bondad de devolverme.

Permitame V.E. le dé las mas expresivas gracias y que me subscriba, con la alta consideracion y respeto que devo, su mas obediente, seguro, y reconocido servidor Q.S.M.B.

Mat[illegible] Gonz.z Manrique

Exmo Señor Dn Andres Jackson.

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Governor of
Pensacola 28
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Natchitoches Nov. 22d. 1814—

Sir:

The Man Returned a few days ago who I sent to the Indian Tribes between Nacogdoches & St. Antonio, & to assertain If the Report was true of a Number of Spanish Troops being on their March towards this frontier, And Reports that he found all the Indians remain friendly to the United States, and that there is no Movement any Spanish force this way, & that the troops at St. Antonio (about seven hundred) are in want of Provisions & Cloathing, and have Neither Horses or Mules.

I Received yesterday letters from some American traders in the Hietan Nation North of St. Antonio who give the Strongest Assurances of the friendliness of that numerous Nation to our Government, & that they are at War with the Spaniards and so harrass them that they dare not go a League distant from St. Antonio. And that the Indians assert they are about abandoning all the Country on this side of River Grand.

I shall not be able to have the Indians collected & organized for some time on Account of so Many of them being out a hunting. The Caddo Chief who Must have the first Rank & Must be consulted in the Appointment of Most of the Indian officers is Now high up on the River Brasses in the Great Prairies with about 150 of his Men Killing Buffalo. He is soon Expected home. My Messengers to some other tribes have not Returned. I shall loose no time that can be avoided. The Contractor has made ample provision for feeding them.

I Am
Sir Most Respectfully
Your Obt. Hble Servt.
John Sibley

Major General Jackson

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Pensacola Nov. 23d 1814

Dear Sir,

inclosed is a letter to Mrs. A. which I beg you will forward to her the first opportunity — this place is becoming truly irksome to me — scarcely any of the people can I converse with and a most laborious and painful duty to perform night & morning — I think Lieut. Flournoy will get well in time but Capt. Lavals case is almost hopeless although neither of them suffer much pain except when dressing —

I have written to Genl. Jackson for permission to remove the wounded to Mobile or Orleans, as soon as they are able to bear the fatigue — the British Commander Spencer

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says I may take them by water —
I this morning saw two Creek
indians here & some of them have
been frequently in town since you
left us — some say the body of them
are gone to Apilachicola some say
not — I cannot tell —

please write me what you
have done with Arch & whether
he is with you or left in the
neighbourhood of the Ast. Off^r.

with sentiments of respect I
remain yours &c.

Jas. C Armstrong

Surgeon &c.

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Doctr Armstrong
23rd November 1814
at Pensacola

Genl John Coffee
Comg Tennessee Volunteers
St Stephens
Mississippi Ty.

Genl. John Coffee
Comg. Tenness Volt. Gm
St. Stephens
Mississippi T.

Doct. Armstrong
23rd November 1814
at Pensacola

Pensacola Novr. 23d. 1814

Majr. Genl. A. Jackson

Sir, Agreeably to your orders, I have the honor to report to you the situation of the wounded officers under my care.

Capt. Laval is still extremely bad although he does not suffer as much pain as formerly — bones have been taken from his thigh in different pieces making an extent of four or five inches — his fever has abated, and inflammation in the thigh very inconsiderable which insures that he will not die soon but whether he will ever recover is doubtful.

Lieut. Flournoy is quite easy and inflammation and fever gone — in time I think he will recover — but tedious.

Provisions in this place are very scarce & exorbitantly high — beef 12½ cts pr. lb. and every thing else in proportion.

if we continue here long our funds will be exausted, I would therefore suggest the propriety of removing the wounded officers to Mobile or Orleans by water as soon as they are able to bear the fatigue—

Lieut Flournoy is particularly anxious to be removed to N. Orleans, in order that he may take a passage up the river to Nashville in some of the trading vessels.

Capt. Spencer of his B. M. Ship Carron who commands the blockading force off this harbour, has politely assured me by letter, that full permission will be given us at any time to pass round to Mobile in a Neutral Merchants vessel. I have not learned what would be the cost of such a removal but presume that Govern:ment would pay — please write me instructions on this subject, and whether it would be more advisable to remove

the wounded on litters by hands

Respectfully yours &c

Jas. L. Armstrong Surgeon
2d Regt. T. V. M. G. on
Detachment.

Majr. Genl. Andrew Jackson
Mobile

Recd. fr. Jas. S. Armstrong
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the wounded a litter [illegible]

Respectfully yours &c.

Jas. Armstrong Surgeon

2d Regt. O. N. [illegible] to

Detachment.

Majr. Genl. Andrew Jackson

Mobile

Recd. of [illegible] Armstrong
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Adjt. & Insp. Genl. Office
War Dept. 23d. Nov. 14

General Order

Daniel Parker has been appointed Adjutant & Insp. General, with the rank, pay and emoluments of a Brigadier General.

This office is considered as connected with this Department, and unconnected with the line of the army. He will commence his duties here immediately.

By order of the Secy of War.

Jn. R. Bell
Insp. Genl.

Major Genl. A Jackson
Comdg Dist. No. 7
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Adjt & Insp. Genl. Office
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Majr. Genl. Andrew Jackson
Comm. Disc. No. 7
Mobile
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Recd. 17. Jany. 1815

Mrs Carsons November 23rd 1814

Genl Jackson

Sir

I am happy to inform you that Jackey is mending as fast as the lowness of his situation will permit I shall remain with him a few days, and follow the Army, Lieut. Bandy and his Coler William will remain with him untill he is sufficiently recovered to authorise him to set out for home it will not do for him to be in haste in leaving this place I am under great obligations to Doctor Fore for his great care and attention to him the Doctor will remain at this place for ten or twelve days by which time he will have I hope no necessity for a Physician; I shall be able to furnish him and William with funds sufficient to go home on, Mrs. Carsons Bill I shall not be able to Discharge without disfurnishing my self her bill will be forwarded on to you, and as soon as he can get home he will remunerate you

I am Sir
with great respect
and Esteem yours &c

W. O. Smith

Major Genl. Jackson

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Major Genl. Jackson

Mobile
New Orleans

Col. Geo. Smith
23rd Novr. 1814

Mobile M. T.
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Major Genl. Jackson

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New Orleans

Colo. Geo. Smith
29 Novr 1814

Nov. 24. 1814

Extract from a letter Secy War to Governor Blount

"Sir, Nov. 3d 1814 –

"Five thousand stands of Arms with ammunition &c, and as many Tents, and Camp-equipage as can be spared immediately, have been ordered from Pittsburgh to the commanding officer at Baton-rouge for the use of the detached Militia of Tennessee & Kentucky – I must however request your Excellency to have all the Troops armed and equipped if practicable before they march, as this supply will be very limited even for a deposit in reserve at that point" –

Extract from the same to the same, "Nov. 5th 1814"

"Sir,

"The Accountant of this Dept. has communicated your unwillingness to receive the money which has been remitted to meet those engagements, where you interested yourself to procure funds for General Jackson.

This Government acknowledges with great pleasure and satisfaction the uniform & unceasing exertions which have been made by you to promote the interest of the service since the commencement of the War, and it is my intention to give you as little trouble as possible in future – At the time that money was ordered, your Quarter Master, W. B. Lewis was in this City, and no other agent was recognized to whom the remittance could be made – It will be perfectly satisfactory to have your Excellency deliver over the money to him or such other officer as you may appoint in the Quarter masters Dept. with instructions to make the necessary arrangements

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for supplying Genl. Jackson & the Troops ordered into service for his command" —

Sir

Nashville November 24. 1814

I had written to the Secretary War on the subjects to which the extracts from his answers of the 3d & 5 Inst have relation — I am glad that he has ordered arms &c to be sent to Baton rouge as the detachments, are not & could not be fully armed here — best exertions were made to do it — W. B. Lewis writes ^that^ he will be here by the 1st. December and immediately on his arrival the money alluded to by the Secretary War will be put into his hands and I will notify him of your former drafts on me which of course will receive the proper attention — The Secretary War in his letter of the 5th Inst. informs me that he thinks Louisiana is still the object of Lord Hill's attack — General Carroll will be with you as soon as possible he is just on the move Troops in appearance as good as any that ever entered the service and I think as fully to be relied on — they are in fine spirits and anxious to be with you, — with respect & esteem

your obt. Servant.

Willie Blount

Major Genl. Jackson
U. S. Army
Head Quarters Mobile

Governor Blount
24 Novr 24 1814
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D. Q. M. Genl's Office

Sir,

Pittsburgh Nov. 24th 1814

You will find enclosed an Invoice for sundry Packages address-ed to the Commanding Genl. 7th Military district of military Stores so soon as they arrive you will please transmit to me by mail duplicate receipts for the same one of which to be on the Invoice now enclosed and the other on a correct copy of it - You will hold the Articles subject to the orders of the Commanding Genl. of your district - If you do not think proper to receipt for

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this property, forward the Invoice
to the Comdg Genl with the request
I have made of you herein. It
will however be proper for you
to receipt, unless a part of the
stores should be taken from
or take a nother direction —

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
H. Edwards Majr
D. Q. M. Genl

Officer U. States Army
Commanding
Baton Rouge

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Comg Officer

Baton Rouge

Fort Fayette 24 Nov. 1814
A. Edwards
Rc 29 Dec.
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Comdg Officer

Baton Rouge

Fort Fayette 24 Nov 1814
J. Edwards
Rd. 29 Dec.
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Nashville Bank Nov. 25th 1814

Major Genl. Jackson

Dear Sir

I have delayed answering Col. Butler's letter of the 30th Ult, for two weeks, in hopes I should be able to get the receipts forwarded therein paid, the Governor has objected to the responsibility attached as he thinks to the many transactions of the U States passing through his hands, and in consequence thereof one hundred thousand dollars forwarded to him in treasury notes are yet lying here untouched, and nothing can be procured on acct. of the receipts and orders you have sent to me until Major Lewis returns, which will be early next month.

It is also probable as I think at present, that I shall not be able to comply with your instructions respecting the deposit in this Bank of one thousand dollars, if I only receive treasury notes in payment, which becoming payable in October next, cannot be considered as cash, within the meaning of that term in any Bank; and which there is hardly a possibility of our being able to use in any transaction within the scope of our business before that time; I can however pay Mr. Kingsley the sum you intend in that paper and will try hard to procure the balance in something more

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negotiable, and shall write again when Lewis returns —

Jno L. Ewing clerk of the supreme court has handed to me a bill of costs against you amounting to 78:43½. the cases are Saml. Pryor vs. Jackson & Hutchings 46:83½ – Andw. Jackson vs A. Cullen & P. Anderson 30:60. and copy of a decree 100 cents – I was of opinion he should be paid, but in consulting with James Jackson he advised that the acct. should be permitted to stand over untill you should give me instructions —

There is hardly any news here very late, nothing has transpired on the northern frontier since the British got the supremacy on Lake Ontario, money still very scarce at Washington, the government draft for the money paid Mr Camp for the use of your army is still unpaid, and I believe we shall get a check on this bank for it, or otherwise it may stand over an indefinite time – Congress however seems to take up the tax bills with spirit. and I think there is no doubt that the present difficulties will be got over, and most probably do good at last ——

with great esteem and respect
your Obedt. Servant
Jno. Anderson

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NASHVILLE Nov. 23.

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Major General Jackson

Mobile

New Orleans

Thos. Anderson 23
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Major General Jackson

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New Orleans 25th Decr. 1814

Insp. Genls Office
7th Mily Dist.

Sir –

I take the liberty of enclosing you a General order – and shall do myself the pleasure of waiting on you this evening at 7 O'Clock, for the purpose of consulting with, and acquiring such information, as will the more effectually enable me to discharge the object of my mission. –

I have the honor to be very respectfully
yr. obt. servt. –
A. P. Hayne
Insp. Genl.

Lt. Col. MacRea
Comdg.
New Orleans. –

New Orleans 26th Decr. 1814

Insp. Genls Office
7th Mily Dist.

Sir –

You will forthwith furnish

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Lt. Leach, with ten oars in addition to those he already possessed has - and such tools as he may require, for the repairs of the Boat destined for Command -

By Command of Majr. Genl. Jackson
I have the honor to be sir very respectfully
Yr. obt. servt.
R. Hayne
Insp. Genl.

Col. Wm. Piatt
Qr. Master Genl. -

Fort St. Philips 29th Novr. 1814

Inspr. Genls. Office
7th Mily. Distt.

Sir -

You are hereby required to order one complete Company of the 7th U. S. Infantry, to proceed to this post with all possible despatch. The Command must embark and be under way in two hours after the arrival of this order in New Orleans. - Fort St. Philips is the Key of all our positions on the Mississippi and must be kept secure and safe -

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All's safe in this Quarter — We hear nothing of the enemy. —

I start for the Balize in a few moments. —

By Command of Majr. Genl. Jackson — I have the honor to be Sir very respectfully — yr. obt. servt.

A. P. Hayne
Inspr. Genl.

Lt. Col. MacRea
Comdg.
New Orleans —

Fort St. Philip 2nd Decr. 1814

Inspr. Genls. Office
7th. Mily. Distt.

Sir —

I have established an Express Boat from the Balize to New Orleans. — It will leave that place on Tuesday, and so soon as it reaches this Post, you are hereby required to forward it on to New Orleans with all possible Dispatch. —

By Command of Majr. Genl. Jackson

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I have the honor to be Sir very respectfully

Yr. obt. Servt.

A. P. Hayne

Inspr. Genl.

Capt. Ward

Comdg. Ft. St. Philip

Fort St. Philip 2nd Decr. 1814

Inspr. Genls. Office
7th. Mily. Distt.

Sir.

You are hereby authorized to practise at the Target. always having in view, the quantity of ammunition on hand, so that should your Command be attacked, the quantity consumed by Practice, will not be injurious to the public service.

By Command of Majr. Genl. Jackson

I have the honor to be Sir very respectfully

Yr. obt. Servt.

A. P. Hayne

Inspr. Genl.

Capt. Ward

Comdg. Ft. St. Philip

Nashville Nov. 26th 1814

Sir,

I have had the honor and pleasure to receive yours of the 14th Inst, by the mail of yesterday – It affords me pleasure to express to you my most hearty congratulation upon the success attending your visit to Pensacola – your troops have again acted the part of Tennesseeans in the field – they will thus act – That movement has cut the thread of mischief, and the result has given quiet to our frontier which has long been disturbed by marauding, murdering parties of Indians and their foreign associates who derived their supplies and counsel from that cradle of iniquity which will soon cease to rock the evil disposed – for years that spot has been an assylum and council chamber for the disaffected of all colours from many Nations – By your judicious movement upon that place, and the consequent dislodgment of the Enemy, whom, a short time would have rendered a formidable foe, for a while, you have done an additional great benefit to your Country which will be duly appreciated as long as good conduct is deemed to be praiseworthy – I have the honor to be very respectfully, your Obt. Servant

Willie Blount

Major Genl. Jackson
U.S. Army
Head Quarters, 7th Military District
Mobile

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Governor Blount
Novr. 26 1814

congratulating on capture of Pensacola.

Head quarters Clarksville
Novr 26. 1814

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Maj^r Genl Jackson

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that I reached this place on yesterday and shall sail with the three regiments in a few hours with the hope that we shall have no further haull untill we reach Natchez.
The troops are healthy and subordinate and I hope will soon be acquainted with their duty

I am Sir, respectfully
Y^r Mo. Ob^t. Servt

Wm. Carroll
Maj^r Genl

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Maj. Gen. Andrew Jackson
Comm. 7th Military District
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Mobile or Elsewhere

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Genl. Carroll 26
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Maj. Gen. Andrew Jackson
Comd. 7th. Military District
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Genl. Coffee 26
Novr. 1814

District of Fort Hawkins 26 nov.r 1814

I have deemed it becoming in me to furnish you the enclosed, and to add thereto, in this communication what I deem a statement of facts, to bring to your mind a correct view of the subject to which they relate, that we may be ready for combined military operations, in the quarter from whence hostility is threatened.

1.st It appears that Caupicchau Micco (Chief of Micosookee & the Seminolies) is not unfriendly, but he says "his young men are rude, imprudent and ungovernable." Some of them are out in roving parties, ~~and~~ they are ready to join any party of the British or Indians in their predatory warfare against us. They give encouragement to Negros to run to them. The Chief of Aulotchewau and his party will probably join, tho' in his reply to the British, he observed he had once foolishly been involved in a war with the Americans and would if possible avoid being so again.

2.nd Hitchetee, part of it known by the name of Fowl town & Okeleyoceanne (both fled from the lower friendly towns) are hostile to us. The first particularly, by all the means in their power urge and encourage the "Red sticks" to war with us. A party of them have been in below Hartford, wounded and plundered a man there, and some have plundered two men from that quarter of homespun to a considerable amount, and two horses.

3.rd The British have offered a premium of 40 dolls for the scalp of every man brought them, 100 dolls for every Indian countryman cow buyer or trader found in the Indian Country, & for horses for the British officers &c. They have furnished Munitions of war and some clothing to the Hostiles, and encourage to plunder horses Negros from the Americans and Indians friendly to them. The headquarters of these mischievous doings is Perrimans on our side the line of Limits.

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Aumucculla a town friendly to us on Flint river 80 miles below the agency and on whose chiefs we have occasionally had to rely for correct information have informed the agent that mis chief against the Americans is brewing below them, and will soon manifest itself. Being convinced of this they have determined to move up the river out of the way of the warring and predatory parties. It is known to them, that several parties are now out to steal horses wherever they can get them, and one or more of them are gone on the road from Fort Lawrence to Fort Mitchell.

4th The best informed of our friendly Indians are of opinion, no plan of predatory warfare is changed, they are either waiting for the arrival of a large British force, for the officers of which, they are to collect and are collecting horses or for the Georgia detachment to pass thro' their country to join Maj. Genl. Jackson and then fall on the frontier Eastward of Fort Hawkins. This latter plan is asserted to be going on.

5. Parties for predatory warfare have been out three. The first plundered Negros from the half breeds. The second time they plundered two citizens of Georgia below Mr. Barnards of two horses and their loads of homespun; Mr. Barnard and family of six horses and Col. Hawkins of four horses and five Negros. The third party have been partially heard from only. Three of them were apprehended at the Creek agency, who wounded and escaped from their guard on their way to Fort Hawkins, and one of them have been fired on by a Uchee scout.

6th Perimmans is the head quarters of the Hostiles, and within our territory. It is on East of Chattahoche 22 miles above its confluence with Flint. Their force there at the greatest has never exceeded 300 and probably if all combined not more than 600. There is one British officer there and a few British and the assemblage of Blacks at Forbess store below.

7th Hitchetas and Okeleyocennie must be chastised speedily and the party and their camps there crushed or there will be no

peace for Georgia

8th We have now enrolled in the service of the United States more than 700 Indians and shall have more than 1000 by the end of the month in readiness to move at half a days notice. The war which is necessary to the safety of this frontier will be entered into heartily by them, as they deem it equally necessary to their own safety. If we can get the clothing we have engaged and the necessary Munitions of War I can take the field at their head at short notice say half a day.

9th The center of the proper scene of action will be the confluence of the rivers and boats and batteaux to transport bread stuff down Chattahoche from Fort Mitchel indispensable and should be made without delay.

Upon the basis of the communication now made you, the intention expressed by Genl. Jackson to employ the force under your command to crush any hostile party he may be advised of on your way to him I am of opinion you would be justified in ordering the Q. Masters department to take order without delay to furnish the boats and batteaux suggested above. It being probable before you will have to make up your mind on the whole subject presented to you you will receive orders from General Jackson on the subject as I have communicated the requisite information to him.

I have the honor to be very respectfully

Sir

your obt. Servt

Benjamin Hawkins

Majr. General McIntosh.

The enclosed were extracts from the correspondence with Genl. Jackson and detached reports from Confidential Indians of hostile manifestations towards ... arises from the ...

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Caleb Hawkins
26 Decr 1814

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St. Stephens 27 November 1814

Dear Sir,

Major Genl. Jackson informed me that he had directed you to pay the Volunteers of 1812 & 13 and instructed me to call on you for that purpose, but not knowing exactly where to find you has induced me to address you by letter – to enquire where you will be at a given time, and when it will be convenient for you to pay the Volunteer dragoons of Washington County M.T. There were about 120 dragoons which were entitled to pay, some of them have recd a part but the greater part have not recd only $14.60 Cents for 12 months service. You know the pay of a volun=teer dragoon is $20 p month, and twelve months would make the sum for each man 240 dollars, that multiplied by 120 makes 28,000 dollars, which allowing for the difference of the Pay between a private and Officers will make nearly that sum.

You will please to write me on receipt of this where you will be, and I will wait on you with the necessary documents

I have the honor to be with respect

Your most obedient

William Henry

late Major 1 Batt

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Captain Allen

Paymaster &c

Ft. Montgomery

A true copy from the original

W. Allen A P 10 Dt Mi

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Nashville Novr. 27th. 1814

Dear Genl.

It is some time since I done myself this pleasure, from having nothing to say worth communicating. Mr. Hutchings advised you of Pacolets success & will no doubt be with you ere this gets to hand & can give all news relative to racing matters, nothing new in that way has occured since he left us, except Parker's talking about running Doublehead against Pacolet a single mile for Ten thousand dollars. If he is in earnest, fear Ile have to run him, altho you do not want the Horse run again 'till after the War. It would be easy money, but I do not want to make the race if he'll keep himself quiet —

Young Sims applyed to me two or three days since to know if I was authorised & would sel your Land, if so he wanted a discription with the price annexed, to send to a gentleman in Philadelphia, who would in the event of purchaseing pay all or nearly all the money down (I understand Peter Merkin is the man) I told Mr. Sims would give him an answer to &c by Friday's mail; on Wednesday next intend going to your House to consult Mrs. Jackson on the subject, where Captn. John Donaldson has promised to meet me; Captn. Donaldson says Genl. Smith is willing that the part belonging to the heirs of Saml. Donaldson should be sold if 20$ p acre can be got for it & you

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will take the responsibility of making the title -
I told Captn Donaldson I expected you would do so
& that in my opinion the Land should be sold if
20$ p Acre could be got for it & that this mode
of selling would be much preferable to that you
proposed to Saunders &c. for In my opinion a full
& outside price could be got for everything (except the
Horses) at a Credit of 12 months & perhaps some of
the Horses could be got off at their value in that
way. On taking the opinion of Mrs. J. & Captn Donaldson
will venture on giving Mr Simms an answer without
waiting for your reply to this letter, but tis not the
less necessary to hear from you on the subject & that
as soon as possible -
I am in hopes I'll get the best overseer in the State
for you, he is so from Character given by a tight
man & compleat farmer, to his brotherinlaw. Mr
Benjamin McCulloch. Mr McCulloch does not want
him & will make a contract for you, I expect to be
informed on this subject in two three days & will
go on with arrangements for carrying on your
farm. in the same way as if no sale was in contem
-plation -
I have now about $2000 of yours in my hands -

and intend taking your Note out of Bank. for
from the information of Mr. Anderson. should he
get money you authorised him to received it may
not be necessary to continue any part of the Note,
should money hereafter be wanted, tis only to go
into Bank again —
Mr. Dickinson has been home since I last wrote
you, he has now gon to Georgia to spend the winter
& has examined the Bill in equity & seems to think
the Bill in all important points right, but
Jenkins in his old way, has not yet amended his
Bill so as to take in some persons he was not
before informed of, which I must urge him to do
I am informed Irwin has made considerable pur
-chases of Land from Judge Anderson & that Trimble
informs him, Irwin, there is no danger of our succeeding
& that Irwin has bought back from Eastland & is going
on to make more improvements at the old Fort —
Eastland informs me, Irwin has sold near $200,000
dollars worth out of the Land & that from all the
staitments Irwin made to him, could not see any
good defence he had, which was one reason of
his selling back to Irwin —
I seen your last letter to Governor Blount & have pleasure
in congratulating you on the subject of it, The Don's

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I am in hopes will ~~spare any~~ in future request the British to seek some other place of repose, have you ever heard any thing of Zuneland, all your friends here are well with best wishes of future success

yours James Jackson

NASHVILLE Nov. 23.

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Major Genl. Andrew Jackson

Head Quarters

Mobile

Mail

James Jackson
21st Novr 1814

I am in hopes will ~~ ~~ any in future request the British to seek some other place of repose. have you ever heard any thing of Zuneland, all your friends here are well with best wishes of future success

yours James Jackson

NASHVILLE Nov. 20.

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Major Genl. Andrew Jackson

Head Quarters

Mobile

Mail

James Jackson
21 Novr 1814

Head quarters Mouth of Cumberland
8 oclock at Night Novr 28. 1814

Majr Genl Jackson
Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I reached this place about half an hour since; and shall proceed in an hour -

The troops are healthy & subordinate, and are learning their duty fast -

I have two forges at work, and will endeavour to have the arms in good order against our arrival at the place of destination -

I have the honor to be
Respectfully Yr Mo
Obt Servt
Wm Carroll
Majr Genl

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Maj. Genl. Andrew Jackson
Commdg 7th Military District
New Orleans
mail
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(Pittsburgh)

D. Q. Mr. Genl. Office

Fort Fayette Nov: 30: 180[illegible]

You will find enveloped an Invoice for sundry Packages of Military Stores to your address for the Comd. Genl. 7th. Military District - On the arrival of the Articles you will forward duplicate receipts to me for the same, one of which to be on the Invoice now enclosed. —

Very respectfully

Your Obt. Servt.

A. Edwards
Majr. D. Q. Mr. G.
Army U. States

Officer Comd.
at Baton Rouge

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Fort Montgomery Novr. 30th 1814

Dr. Genl.

Pardon me for intruding on you at this Busy crisis but feeling myself wronged since you left here I know of no place to apply for redress but to yourself. Genl. Taylor and Col. Lowry have arrived here Colo. Lowry has been ordered by Genl. Taylor to take command of my Regt. he has done so & I refuse to give up the Regt. knowing that Col. Lowry had sent his resignation & Commission to you and considering his long and shameful absence from the Regt. at a time when his presence was most needed I did not think he ought to have any thing to do with my Regt. or my Official acts in his absence as he has offered his resignation and commission one thing in particular I will name to you Doctor Morris Surgeon to my Regt. resigned

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on the 16th of Nov. and I thinking it was my province to appoint a Surgeon did so but since Col. Lowry ~~Arrived~~ he has appointed another and I would be glad to know whether the Surgeon I appointed shall be a perma-nent appointment or whether the one Col. Lowry has appointed since his arrival is valid as Genl Taylor thinks I had no right to make any appointment but a tempory one till Col. Lowry arrived I am resolved to command my Regt. till I her from you

I remain yours &c
Leroy Hammans Lt. Col.
Comdg 2d Regt. Infy W.T.M

Majr. Genl. Jackson
Head Quarters

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Majr. Genl. Jackson
Head Quarters

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(Copy) Mobile June 30th 1814

Brig. Genl James Winchester

Sir At the request of a number of the most respectable Inhabitants of Pensacola, I have come on to this place, for the purpose of obtaining if possible some relief from their present necessities, (the necessaries of life) To represent to you their precise ~~situations~~ would be speaking of too many necessities. suffice it to say without timely relief they must be in a state of starvation — their only mode of obtaining Provisions, has been, and is now, from N. Orleans and this place, but the restrictive measures on commerce with these places, has deprived us of our accustomed supplies — and the arrival of the American army in the place although they remained but a short time, yet the consumption of our provisions in comparison to the little stock on hand, was very great — Feeling as I know you must feel Genl in reflecting on the depredations committed on your Frontier by the Indians and British from that quarter — You will hesitate to comply with our solicitations for relief — but if you will again reflect that the Inhabitants was not the cause, and who are now the Innocent sufferers, and who have made protestation after protestation against the proceedings of the Governor — I say after these

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reflections, I am persuaded our application to the feelings of Humanity will not prove ineffectual

I am sir respect & due consideration
Your Most Obt. Hbl. Servt.
(Signed)
Antonio Hinenburg

(Copy) Mobile 1st Decr. 1814

Sir

I have had the honor to receive your communication addressed to me dated 30th Novemr. 1814 – representing the distressed condition of the Inhabitants of Pensacola, I regret exceedingly it is not in my power to give them relief – Your letter on the subject shall be transmitted immediately to Major Genl. Jackson, commander of this District at New Orleans, and his answer thereto, shall be forwarded to you without loss of time, after it comes to my hands – I have the honor to be with consideration of Respect, sir Your Obt. Servt.

(Signed) J. Winchester

Antonio Hinenburg Esqr. Brig Genl. U.S.A.

Choctaw Agency Novr. 30 1814

Sir,

Four of the most influential men from the Yazoo settlements have been with me and report that but few of the warriors are now at home, those few are willing and anxious to turn out to war, but as those who are out hunting are soon expected home and and the warriors that are in the woods may generally be expected in soon, I think it would be an unnecessary expense to put the few now at home under pay. The Annuity has arrived at Natchez, I will go down in a few days and have it brought up. When that is delivered and your warriors return well pleased, I have little doubt but we will be able to collect a greater body of Choctaws that have ever yet been embodied, and it will be much better to have them seeking employment in our ranks than to be dragging them reluctantly into it. The Little Leader has been quite silent since his return and I believe there is but little good to be expected or evil to be apprehended from him.

I have not had a line direct from you or the army since I left it. from the rumors that

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have reached us I am induced to believe there is no pressing immediate call for more Choctaws.

I have the honor to be
with very great respect & esteem
Your Obedient servant
John McKee

Major Genl. Andrew Jackson
Comm. D 7 M.D. District.

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Adj. & Insp. Genl's Office
Nov. 30th 1814

Genl. Order

The Senate of the United States have not advised & consented to the appointment of Robert Turner 3rd Lieut. of the 2d Infantry - he will therefore be considered out of the service after the 1st of Jany. next -

By order

D. Parker
A. & I. Genl.

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Fort Bowyer 30th Novr. 1814

Dear Genl.

The unsettled state which I left my business urges me to beg a few months furlough of you. if it can be granted me it will save me all my Property if not it will be lost Only three months will do it will greatly oblige your very

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Majr Genl. Andrew Jackson
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Lieut. Jones
30 Novr recd

Fort Montgomery Novr. 1814

Sir

I returned to this post on Monday the 28th. instn. from Pensa. The Governor of that place detained me several days by request that he might have time to answer your letter, Offering me every attention and protection that I should think proper to require

A few days previous to my arival in Town Capt. Spencer, the Commander of the English Brig of War commanding the Blockade off that port sent in his Boat with two Officers, and a polite letter to Doctor Armstrong, Offering any Medicine or other stores that he might have, that could not be procured in Pensa. for the relief of our wounded Officers there, and when they thought themselves in a situation to be re=moved that he was ready to render any assistance and protection to them and their attendance provided they went in a Nuteral vessell to any port that they wished to go to —. Two days after the U.S. Army left Pensacola the inhabitants after hold=ing a Church Mass and thanksgiving to the Genl. and Army, for Twenty four hours without seasing Dispatced a Schooner to Havana with the infor=mation — Infact there nothing talked of amongst the inhabitants of that place but the good conduct of the Americans = whilst there.

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During my stay in Town the Cabeldo was two days
in Session, With a view of forming a remonstrance to
the U.S. and directing it to you to permit a privilage
of Commerce by Land though they eventually posponed
their pertition untill the return of their courrier to the
Havana, should it not bring good assurances, the in-
=habitants are determined to rest the Goverment with
a Cabeldo take all power out of the hands of the
Governor and apply to you for aid and support,
it is a melonchaly truth that ~~should~~ they not get a
a supply of provision in a short time they will
suffer, much and I believe many will perrish for
want of provision whilst I was there five of
hostile indians came over the Bay from Choctau
=hatcha Bay where they left the whole of the war
party and informed that the English was going
to Appalacha, the Governor had them transported back
immediately saying he would not permitt any
of them remain in town; parties of them were
crossing yallow water Bay and robing and plun-
=dering the inhabetants East of Pensacola Bay, there
also came a party from the Nation to the Saw Mill
five leagues from town, they had a Woman and
child with them prisoners of which I have made
a statment to Genl. Taylor in wrighting I presume

he has forwarded it to you as he requested it in writing. Captain Laval and Lieut. Flournoy is in as good spirits as their wounds can possibly admit of Capt. L— is very anxious for Doctor Huston to go on to Penzacola to assist in attending them.

I have the honor to be Sir very
Respectfully your
Obt Hbl Servt
P. P. Stuart

Maj. Genl. Andrew Jackson

Majr. Genl. Andrew Jackson
Comd.g 7th Military District
New Orleans

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Majr. Genl. Andrew Jackson
Comdg. 7th Military District
New Orleans

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Dear Col.

I have been long waiting for An opertunity to Get you to Shew me Nancey Steels land Robert Gillespeys I know is Covered by Rhoads Survey I have a power of atto to get a warrent For it but Cannot Get it without your Certificate and the time is out the first Of January if you Can by any way Fix it So that a Certificate Can be got that a warrent will Issue you will very Much oblidge your old friends and your

Hunt. Servt

Col. R. Hays

Jas Dickson

1st Decr. 1814

P.S. please Send me a line that I may know how to act

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Col^o Robert Hays

Davidson County

Tennessee

Balize 1st Dec: 1814

Insp: Genls Office
7th Mily Distt

Sir

In obedience to your order, I repaired with all possible expedition to New-Orleans - I left the City on the 27th ultimo, "to examine and determine, whether a Fortification at the Balize, would give greater security to New-Orleans". - I have duly appreciated the high trust which you have done me the honor to repose in me, and have very sensibly felt my own incompetency to perform it in the manner I could wish. - I have performed the duty - and now do myself the honor of making the following report. -

In order to be clearly understood, it is necessary to describe the various Outlets to the Mississippi. - The principal Outlet, is the South East Pass - commonly called Ship Channel or Main Bar - this has one Branch, called North Channel - the former gives from 12 to 14 feet

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Water - the latter about 10. - The former is known by the appellation of the New Orleans Bar, and is the point most to be guarded. - The next princip[al] Outlet, is the South West Pass: which is about 21 miles, below Fort St Philips, and about 11 miles above the Balize. - It gives from 10 to 12 feet Water. - There are two other Outlets, but the obsta[cles] which they present, are insurmountable to the enemy.

I have examined the Balize, and am decidedly of opinion, that a Battery, can not be erected, in such a situation as to Command the Bar. + The following are my reasons and sure I am, I risk nothing in expressing the Belief, tha[t] every disinterested man endowed with common sense, will concur with me in this opinion. - It is only necessary then, that I should inform you that the Distance from the Battery, which has been constructed at the Balize; to the Bar, is at least 5 miles. - The Pilots call it Six. - Can Cannon of any Calibre, be efficient and effectua[l] at that distance? - If it can, the Balize ought to be fortified - but if it can not - which is the

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fact - then I say, a *Fortification* in *Siberia*, would be of as much service, in defending the Bar of the Mississippi, as the *Work which has been constructed at the Balize*. - But again - if the British approach us, by proceeding up the Mississippi, it will be by *Gun Brigs*, carrying from 4 to 6 - 24 pounders. - and would not the *South West Pass* afford the enemy an opportunity of entering the Mississippi, with nearly equal advantages, leaving our Battery at the Balize, in the rear - nor is there at the South West Pass, any situation, on which a Fort could be placed, so as to command the Bar of that pass. - I would however advise, two or three Vessels prepared for the purpose, to be at the Balize, and to be sunk in the Channel, so soon as the enemy should make his appearance. - These Vessels might be sunk in such a position, as to prevent any Vessel drawing over 9 feet, from entering the Bar. - I would also strongly recommend that a *Corps of Observation* be permanently stationed at the Balize. -

I have the honor of reporting that I have examined Fort St. Philips. - It is the

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Key, as well as the King Post of all of our positions on the Mississippi, and one upon which all of our defences must turn — all other Points must be subordinate to that — and made Links in the great Chain —. Fort St. Philips, is a military position, and well calculated for defence. — Batteries placed so as to cooperate with the Fort, would in my mind, be far preferable, and would not be attended, with half the time or expense. — It is the first Position, which holds forth the prospect of a vigorous Stand. — The following are the positions which I would select for the Batteries, viz — one at the position, where the old Spanish work called Fort Bourbon stood — about 3/4 of a mile, on the opposite side to Fort St. Philips — and in a diagonal direction — the other on the same side with Fort St. Philips, one mile higher up the River, and about 3/4 of a mile, from the above mentioned Spanish Work. — Thus defended and fortified, it would be impossible for such Vessels as could enter the Bar, to pass Fort St. Philips — at least if they could, it would at once establish the principle

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that no Batteries can prevent the passage of Armed Vessels.–

I have the honor also to report, that I have examined the English Turn and the Battery opposite – combined they form a strong position, but must be held subordinate to Fort St. Philip and its dependencies – the latter defended and Fortified, the former at once becomes an object of consideration.–

I should do injustice to my own feelings, if I did not inform you, that my friend Capt. Henly of the Navy very politely accompanied me to the Balize.– To his talents and information I owe more than I can express.–

I have the honor to be Sir, very respectfully
yr obt. Sert.–

A. P. Hayne
Inspr. Genl.
7th Mily District.

Major Genl.
Andrew Jackson–
Commanding
the 7th Mily District.–

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Public Service
A. P. Hayne
Insp^r. Genl.

Maj^r. Genl.

Andrew Jackson
Commanding
the 7th Mility Dest^t.
New-Orleans.—

Col. Hayne 1st Dec^r.
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Exmo. Sor.

El critico estado en que se encuentra esta plaza por la absoluta falta de viveres, me pone en el caso de molestar la Superior atencion de V.E. suplicandole se sirva permitir al contratista del abasto de Carne para esta guarnicion Franc.co Suarez, el que conduzca por tierra las reses bacunas que tiene acopiadas yà hace tiempo en el Estero de Buen Socorro y otros puntos de esa Jurisdiccion, pues de otro modo nos vemos expuestos à perecer de necesidad.

Al mismo tiempo mereceré dela equidad y generosidad de V.E. el que si algunos comerciantes particulares se determinasen à traer à esta plaza algunas provisiones, que V.E. tenga la bondad de permitirselo por encontrarse este vecindario en el mismo caso que la Tropa, y será el mejor medio de conservar una perfecta neutralidad, remediandonos del rigurosisimo bloqueo à que nos tienen reducidos los Ingleses en estas Costas.

Con este motibo me repito àla alta consideracion de V.E. deseandole disfrute la mejor salud, y que disponga dela invariable voluntad desu mas atento Serv.or que pide à

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Dios guarde la vida de V.E. muchos años. Panzacola 1.º de Diciembre de 1814.

Exmo. Señor.

Mateo Gonz.z Manrique

Exmo. Sor. Genl. Jakson

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Governor Pensacola
18 Decr 1814

Dec. 1. 1814

Most Excellent Sir

The critical situation to which this post is reduced from the total want of provisions, imposes on me the necessity of troubling your Excellency, with a request that you would be good enough to permit the contractor Francisco Suarez who is charged with the duty of supplying this garrison with meat, to bring by land the cattle which he has had, for some time past, collected in the vicinity of Bon-secours and other points within your jurisdiction, otherwise, we see ourselves exposed to the certainty of perishing with famine.

Will your Excellency have the goodness also to permit private Merchants to bring to this place, any provisions they may be inclined to adventure, since the inhabitants of the Town are in the same situation, as the Troops of the garrison; and this will be the best method to preserve a perfect neutrality, by exempting

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-ing us from the very rigorous blockado to which the English have reduced us on these coasts.

I repeat to your Excellency my hopes that you may enjoy better health,* & assure you of my disposition to serve you to the extent of my powers.

God preserve your Excellency many years

Pensacola 1st Decr. 1814

Mateo Gonzs. Manrique

His Excellency Genl. Jackson

* "The Genl., while in Pensacola, was considerably indisposed."

Trans. Tr.

Mobile 1st Decemr 1814

Sir

Your several communications of the 18th, 21st
and 22nd Instant I have had the honor to receive,
the last assigning to me the command of the Troops
in this section of District No 7 and giving special
instructions for my information and government
in performing this highly responsible duty, all of
which shall be duly attended to; I have visited
Fort Montgomery and am sorry to say I found
the public Stores of every description in very bad
condition, the state of the weather was such as forbid
there being over hauled; continual rain prevented
me from doing any thing but issuing Orders which
if carried into effect, will save much public property
at least from damage; Store houses are ordered
to be built within the Fort and all the valuable
Quarter Master and Hospital stores removed into
them; without the Fort, Huts for Hospitals and
Sheds for artificers are to be built -

Capt. Trimble with his company of mounted
Infantry hath not arrived I cannot conceive
what detains them -

At the Hospital on the West of the Cutoff
I found the Surgeon discharging the Men as they
recovered, which I forbid until I have your
order on this subject -

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Herewith I send you a letter just received from Antonio Hendenburg Esqr. on the subject of the scarcity of provisions at Pensacola &c with a copy of my letter in answer thereto, for your advice and instruction on the subject — also the copy of a letter from P. P. Stewart at Pensacola to Brig. Genl. Taylor relating to the hostile Creek Indians —

I shall take measures to prevent small parties from travelling either way from or to Fort Jackson and to stimulate the Commanding officer to vigilance

Majr. Blue owing to continual and incessant rain hath not marched on his intended expedition. — The day after tomorrow I purpose to visit Fort Bowyer —

Col. A. Lowry desires to know if you have accepted of his resignation, if you have not, he instructs me to say that he wishes you to return it, and permit him to serve out his six months —

I have ordered Col. Pipkins's whole Regiment to march to this place, in order that no delay concerning witnesses may retard the Trial of those charged with Mutiny & desertion — The Court for their Trial is to convene on Monday next —

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I have the honor to be with sentiments of high Respect —

Sir your Obed.t Serv.t

J. Winchester B. Genl.
U.S. Army

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Public Service

Maj^r. Genl. Andrew Jackson

Head Quarters 7th Mily. Dist^t.

New Orleans

Genl [illegible]

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Public Service

Maj. Genl. Andrew Jackson

Head Quarters 7th Mily. Distr.

New Orleans

Nashville 2d Decr. 1814

We see here Pensacola has fallen & that the enemy have been dislodged. This affair is a matter of congratulation to all the Govt. friends. It ought to be a primary object with the Government to prevent the British from again occupying those very eligible positions along the coast southwardly of Mobile as well as Mobile point. For my own part I deem New Orleans altogether unattackable; it affords the most natural protection of any place in the world. Its impossible as I understand it for the enemy to land in any considerable force any where below the town. Then the Govt. has all these valuable parts now completely protected & will doubtless keep them so.

Since our Southwestern Hemisphere seems to have assumed the pacific character, I am less anxious to join you. I feel quite disposed to await the new conscription system of raising men. In this event the 24th will very quickly be filled, your Division will be complete & then the Colo will be able to form a junction, a la mode Militaire — He'll surely no longer be kept back, but in the full strength of his regiment be ordered to the Head Quarters of the 7th Military district.

I must congratulate you sir on the prospects

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on the prospect of filling our ranks soon by con=
scription should the present plan proposed by
the house of Representatives succeed; & which every
patriot should hope, Congress will have the good
sense & firmness to adopt.

Major Cummings command consisting of about
350 recruits of the Artt. will doubtless join you in a
few days, if they have not already done so.

In the course of 20 days I shall be able to have
organized another complete company & put on its march

Its my intention to send them via New Orleans
unless otherwise ordered. I see Colo Lowery has
deserted. It would gratify me very very much to
receive yr. orders to have, him apprehended & sent back
to head Quarters for his trial — He is very much of the
rascal. My writing is still most miserable.

Remember me affectionately to yr.
family, & to Genl. Coffee & Colo. Lauderdale

Yours in Blood & Field

W. P. Anderson

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W. P. Anderson
Colo 24th Infy

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Major Genl. Andrew Jackson
Commanding 7th Mi-
litary District
New Head Quarters
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Colo Wm P. Anderson
2 Decr 1814

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Major Genl. Andrew Jackson
Commanding 7th Military District
Head Quarters
Mobile

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Col. W. P. Anderson
2 March 1814

Fort St. Philip 2nd Decr. 1814

Inspr. Genls Office
7th Mility Distt.

Sir—

The Command of Fort St. Philip devolves upon you.— You and your Command must recollect, that our Country is at War, and that state brings with it most important and peculiar duties.— Should you be attacked by the enemy, you are hereby required to defend yourself to the last possible extremity.— The American character and the honor of our Army require a gallant defence on every occasion.— Indeed Sir, should the enemy approach you, the Watch Word of you and your brave fellows must be Death or Victory.

By command of Majr. Genl. Jackson—
I have the honor to be Sir very respectfully—
your obt. Servt.

Copy— A. P. Hayne
Inspr. Genl.

Capt. Ward
of the 7th U. S. Infantry
Commanding Ft. St. Philip—

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Fort St Philips 2nd Decr 1814

Inspr Genls Office
7th Mility Distt

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By command of Majr Genl Jackson -

I have the honor to be Sir very respectfully

yr obt Servt

Copy - A. P. Hayne

Inspr Genl

Capt Ward

of the 7. U. S. Infantry

Commanding Ft St Philips -

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Fort St. Philip 2nd Dec. 1814

Insp. Genl's Office
7th. Mily Dist.

Sir -

The following rules and regulations, shall govern this garrison, untill repealed by proper authority viz. -

1st.

The Commanding Officer will carefully examine, the Country adjoining the Fort, and post Picquet Guards at such points, as his judgement may suggest. -

2nd. -

All Officers, must be at their Post, at and during the Beating of the Reveille - and moreover are required to Inspect, and examine the Arms of their men every morning at Reveille, and every evening at Retreat Beating, and will be held accountable for their being in complete order for action, each man provided, with 24 rounds of Cartridges - and Flints in good order. -

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The Officer of the day as well as the Officer of the Guard, must not be permitted on any account whatsoever to sleep at night. — They must ever keep in mind, that the safety of the Fort is in their hands. —

4th

You must permit no citizen whatsoever to come into Fort St. Philip — nor on any account permit your effective strength to be known. —

5th. —

You must prosecute the Artillery drill with the utmost assiduity and dilligence. —

6th

Should Ft. St. Philip be attacked. instantly destroy the Wooden Buildings in the Fort. —

Fort St. Philip is the Key of all of our positions on the Mississippi — and therefore let me particularly enjoin, vigilance and attention on yr. part. — Let me guard you against surprise, which forever blasts

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the character of a Soldier.—

By Command of Majr. Genl. Jackson—

I have the honor to be Sir very respectfully

Yr. obt. Servt.

A. P. Hayne
Inspr. Genl.

Capt. Wade

of the 7th Infantry

Commanding Ft. St. Philip—

Orders issued at Sun-
[illegible] and Ft. St. Philip
in Sept. and Dec.
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Garrison New Orleans
Decr. 2nd. 1814

Sir,

Lieut. T F Thomas (formerly of the 7th Regt. U.S. Inf, now of the 2nd) Enlisted some men previous to his being notified of his transfer to the 2nd. Inf

To avoid deficulty, Genl. Flournoy Ordered that all recruits enlisted by Lieut Thomas previous to his notification of transfer should be sent to the 7th Regt. — One of these men was on Command at Mobile when the others left Natchez to join this regiment, he has come on with the detachment under Command of Lieut. Thomas

The man righteously belongs to the 7th and I request your Order for him to remain, or it is probable Col. McRea or Major Hughes will Order him On with Lieut Thomas's detachment

He was the first man Enlisted by Lieut Thomas when sent from this regiment on the recruiting service, and is by name, David Humphreys, others entisted after him are doing duty with this regt and not claimed by any officer of the 2nd

I have the Honor to be very respectfully yr. Obt. Servt.
Alex. A. White
Capt. Comdg. 7 Inf

Col. R. Butler
Adj. Genl. 7th Mil'y Dist

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Col. Robt. Butler

Adjt. Genl. 7th Milty. Dist.

New Orleans

Orderly

Capt. White 7th Infy

9. Decr. 1814

Col. Robt. Butler

Adjt. Genl. 7th Mily. Dist.

New Orleans

Orderly

Capt. Miller 7th Infy

9th Novem. 1814

Mobile 2d Dec. 1814

Sir

An express arrived this morning from Major Lawrence at Fort Bowyer informing that a large ship supposed to be a British Ship of war arrived & anchored opposite the head of Bland Lake about 11 miles from that place on the 29th ultimo between two and three oClock P.M., her tender a large schooner came near the shore from which three barges put off for the shore but were not able to reach it owing to the extreme boisterous weather a gun was fired from the ship at which time the schooner got underway taking with her the Barges and stood for the Ship. No doubts are entertained but the British will Land a force as soon as the wind will permit and it is probable the fort will be invested by land and regular

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approaches depended upon, either way we will be prepared to meet or take him in the rear and I trust make him pay dear for his temerity.

I have the honor to be with consideration of high respect
Your Most Obedient
Servant
J Winchester B. Gen
U S Army

public service

Major Genl. Andrew Jackson

New Orleans

Genl. Wm. Carroll
2 Decr 1814
no ansr.

public service

Major Genl. Andrew Jackson

New orleans

Govr. Wm. Claiborne
9 Sept 1814
no ansr.

New Orleans 2d Decr. 1814

Sir

I have served nearly twelve Years in the Corps of Artillery and do consider myself theoretically and practically an Artillerist, having offered my services to the department of war through the Senators from this State in Congress to command a Battalion in the event of an increase of the Corps. I am persuaded that on examination You will find the corps of Artillery in Your district quite too small for field & fortification duty and will recommend an increase. I have suggested to our Senators my opinion that a Battalion of Artillery might be raised in Tennessee, Missi. Territory and this State to serve during the war. It would give me much pleasure should You recommend the raising of a Battalion as I have mentioned and state my pretensions to the Command of it to the Honorable secretary of war. It will be within Your power to ascertain my Claim to a recommendation from Lt Col MacRea and the

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the Gentlemen of his Corps Generally with whom I have served. As Congress is now Legislating on the increase of the army and as this is mail day, You will pardon this early application to you to notice my Claim. The recent insolent demand of our enemy makes it evident that we shall have a severe Contest, with us it is a war of National honor & defence and can any american hesitate a moment? I hope not! for myself, before I would cede one square acre of land to the enemy or agree to their imperious demand relative to the Indians within our limits, the war should be eternal!! Again let me ask pardon for this hurried note.

With much respect I am

Yr Obt Servt

James Sterrett

Majr Genl Andw Jackson

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Decr. 1814

Major Genl. Jackson

Head Quarters

New Orleans

attention of

Col. MacRea

Major Genl. Jackson

Head Quarters

attention of
Lt Col MacRea } New Orleans

James Herriot 28
Decr. 1814

New Orleans
3rd Decr 1814

Sir

Since I left you I have seen Col. Piatt, who informs me he may procure another barge, in addition to the one of Commodore Patterson, and that you would be expected want a crew for her. If this should be your wishes — please to inform me that I may make a detail from the garrison, and have the provisions ready for the party. I am respectfully

Sir
Yours very obt.

Wm MacRea
Lt Col Arty

General Jackson

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General Jackson

A St Stephens, M.T. December 3rd 1814.

This day appeard before me, Col.o Joseph Carson, of the 1st Regt. of Mississippi Territory Volunteers, required by a writ of Habeas Corpus to Shew cause for detaining in military Service Lieut. Benjamin Bridges, & Bradford Bradly Berry Vinsant, and Aaron B. Proctor, privates, all of late Capt. Wm Henry's company: who claim to be discharged, agreeably to the terms and conditions of their inlistment. In justification of his Conduct the Col.o States that he held these men in Service under the acts of Congress of the Sixth of February and Sixth of July 1812, and by virtue of an order of the Commanding Genl. of the 7th military-district: in which they are consider'd by the Genl. as not having commenced actual-service, till the 2nd day of March 1813, at which time they arrived at Mount-Vernon said to be the "place rendezvous". — On the part of the persons claiming the benefit of the Habeas Corpus, and whose names are mentioned above; it was urged that, they had assembled in full company and had performed Military-exercise by order, and under the authority of Capt Wm Henry (who was legally commissioned by the President of the United States) on the 12th of Octbr. 1812, on the 30th November 1812, and at Several times previous thereto. That previous to the 30th November 1812, they had been paid the money: authorized to be paid them when called into actual service: by the act of Congress of the 6th of February 1812, ~~of T.~~ and from this circumstance, and having been mustered by a National officer; they considered themselves in actual service; and forbore to enter, or ingage in any employment or pursuit; holding themselves punishable for desertion, or any other offence against the rules, & articles of war. It was also proven by John M. Davis, the present Commandant at Fort-Republic at this place

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that when a consolidation of Some Volunteer companys took place at the Cantonment on the East side of Mobile bay, and Some Supernumerary officers, or persons who had considered themselves officers were permitted to retire as privates, he then acting paymaster, was directed by the commanding officer to pay them off from the time of their inlistment, and that he had received verbal orders from the Genl. to do so in all cases respecting the Volunteers. — In General Wilkinson's letter of the 13th September, 1812, addressed to Capt. Henry, and which was exhibited by the Claimants for a discharge, he Seems to have anticipated the troubles we have been, and are Still involved in, and hence, I presume the early call of the Volunteers into Service. He in this letter Says, "I shall issue commissions, call the troops into Service, and direct thirty dollars to be paid each non-commissioned officer & private in lieu of Clothing." — From these expressions it would appear that the call into Service was to precede the payment of the money authorized by law: and as the payment of the money was actually made, and a National officer under the "Commander at Fort Stoddert" had mustered them, it was fair on the part of the claimants for a discharge to consider themselves in actual service before they marched from this place to Mount-Vernon, and as no deception could have possibly been contemplated by the law authorizing the acceptance of the Services of the claimants for a discharge, or by the Genl who directed the money to be paid them, I am of opinion they have Served out the time they engaged to Serve

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and that they are intitled to a discharge. — Col. Carson is therefore commanded to release them from confinement.

Lewis Sewall Chief Justice of W. County

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Copy of a Decision
On a Habeas Corpus
Issued against Col. Carson
At the Instance of
Lieut. Benja Bridges
Bradford Bodley
Berry Vinsant, and
Aaron B. Proctor

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Fort Stoddert
December 4. 1814.

Sir,

Two days since at Mobile (where I was summoned as a witness in the case of Lt. Pangle) I was accidentally informed of Yr. order of the 22d. November relative to payments being made to the Choctaw Indians: at the same time I received a letter from Captain Pemberton D P M, in reply to one of mine, wherein he says "It will be impossible for me to authorize you to disburse the public funds to the Indians, not being in possession of any law regulation or instructions to do so — If you have received authority to pay those Savages please send me a copy of it." I never once supposed that there was a law relative to the employment of indians, but merely presumed that authority had been vested in Yourself to employ them and have them paid for their services, that this is the fact I have no doubt, for while the danger of this country was so apparent to Government, as to cause them to call forth large bodies of Militia from the neighbouring States, they could not be unmindful of the employment of a force not only useful, but if thrown into the enemy's scale might do us the most serious injury. Captain Pemberton will now be near you, and ways and means may be devised to pay the indians. I obtained a copy of the order above alluded to from the Adjt of the 2d Infantry. I regret that the Adjutant Genl did not endorse me a copy: At Fort Montgomery (where the discharged men of the 39th keep me) I should not have known of the existence of the order

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I enclose to you a copy of a letter from Major William Henry):
I have never seen the order alluded to, and from his Estimate
you can perceive it would be impossible for me to
Comply with it until I receive funds from Capt Pemberton.
I shall write to Majr. Henry and inform him of the difficulties
I labour under until funds are placed in my hands,
when I will give him timely notice. I have constant
applications from the militia remaining unpaid. If the
Government will send me Treasury notes 5, 10, 20, 30 & 40
dollars each payable in 12 Mos without interest I can
vouch for it that I will clear them of all militia and
Volunteer claims

Respectfully
I have the honor to be
Sir Yr Ob Servant
W. Allen
Asst D P M

Major Genl. Andrew Jackson
Commanding 7th Military
District
New Orleans

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W. Allen Asst. D. P. M.

Major Genl. Andrew Jackson
Command. 7th M. D.
New Orleans

W. Allen Asst. P. M.
27 Nov. 1814
Ans. 23 Dec.

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W. Allen A.D.Q.M.

Major Genl. Andrew Jackson
Command 7th M.D.

New Orleans

W. Allen A.Q.M.
27 Novr. 1814
Ans 8 Decr.

Tennessee Williamson County Decemr 4th 1814

Dr Sir

When my brother & myself, were in Company with You last Summer at Your house, You then promised me to write on immediately to the war Office in favor of my son Mosby McDaniel recieving a 3rd Lieutenants appointment in some of the ridgements of infantry. I have no doubt from what You then stated to me, but that You have done so, and no appointment has yet arrived. I have also written two letters to Mr Wharton on that subject, since his last arrival at the City of Washington, and have not heard from him. my son was well recommended last March, but a Fedral enemy of mine I am informed then wrote on to our representative, Opposing the Appointment, as I suppose, however the excuse made for the failure, was that there was no vacancy in the 24th & 39th & that no man of Tennessee according to the now established mode of fillin up ridgements could recieve an appointment in any Other, a doctrine entirely strange & new to me, but Sir it yet appears that according to the proverb, kissing yet goes by favor, thus, every particular marks of bounty and kindness, bestowed on persons who are favorites, whether they deserve it or no, while persons

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more meritorious are neglectd but, Sr this will ever
be the case, where persons are led, more by party spirit, a long
connection of votes &c than by a real Judgement;
I beg of you Sr to immediately write on to the depart
ment of War, in my sons behalf, and inform the
Secretary of War, that if any Opposition should come
forward, that he may rest himself assurd that it
Originates in Malice & Spite alone, to the father of
the young man, from one individual alone, and that
whose Malice is most unjustly bestowd, ,, ~~[illegible]~~
~~[illegible]~~
~~[illegible]~~
It is probable congress will authorise the raising new
ridgements, If so Tennessee will be allowd one, which
will be Officerd principally from this State there will
certainly be many vacancys for Subaltern appointments
I am also informd that there are many vacancy in
the 39th 24th &c pray Sr do for me as you think most
proper — I am Sr with Sentiments of the highest respect
Your Obedient Servant } Collin McDaniel

NB my son is now decending the
River aboard Major Genl Carrols boat
who is one of his life gard and cannot
be contentd out of the army
C McDaniel

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Majr Genl. Andrew Jackson

Commanding

7th Military district

New Orleans

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C. McLemore

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Major Genl. Andrew Jackson

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7th Military district

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Department of War
December 4. 1814.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your two letters of the 26 & 31. October, which in the absence of the Secretary of War, for a day or two, have been Communicated to the President.

I am instructed by the President to inform you that he receives with much satisfaction the intelligence that the Treasury notes put into the hands of Governor Blount, have enabled him to supply so Completely the Wants of your army & that you may be assured, ample funds shall be provided for your future Wants in that quarter.

The Secretary of War will answer in detail your letters above mentioned, immediately on his return to this City.

I have the Honor to be
very respectfully, Sir,
Your ob. Servt.
Tench Ringgold
Clerk in the War Office

Major General
Andrew Jackson
Comm.g 7. Mil. District
Mobile

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Department of War
December 4th 1814.

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I have the honor &c.

(signed) Tench Ringgold

Genl. Jackson
at Mobile

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The Secy of War

to

Genl Jackson

4th Dec 1814.

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(Copy) Pensacola Decemr 5th 1814

Sir

I have obtained accurate and correct information that a Large British force is now rendezvousing off this Barr destined most certainly Orleans and perhaps Mobile point as they pass, but of this I have not positive information. Seventy or Eighty sail have already collected and as many are daily and hourly expected from Jamaica & elsewhere, I have just conversed with an american prisoner who has been on board five Months and was taken as a Spy and examined, Admiral Cochrane discharged and sent on Shore last night from the Fleet, he confirms the above most positively - and says that the Officers boast they will eat their Christmas Dinner in Orleans - Sir Alexander Cochran commands the fleet and is now off this port. Be on the alert for by the God I think you will have warm work of it from the force collecting here_

I suppose this information will not be new but if it is considered of much importance you may assure it is true, The writer is Known to Genl Genl Coffee and most of the Officers from Tennessee_

(Signed) Jas L Armstrong Surgeon &c, on Detachment

Pensacola 5 Decr 1814) I have perused the foregoing & candidly state my full conviction of the Correctness (Signed) Wm Smith Richards

To Any United States Officer Commg near Mobile or elsewhere

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W. G. Richards 5
Decr. 1814

Decr 5th 1814

Sir

You will issue an order directing Colo McRea to detach a company of the 7 Infty immediately to Fort St Philips

Colo Ro Butler
Asst Gen

By command
H Butler aid de camp

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Genl
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Col. R. Butler
Adjt. Genl
New Orleans

New-Orleans 5th Dec. 1814

Insp'r. Genl's Office
7th Mily. Dist.

Sir -

Enclosed I send you an order .-

I have it in charge from the Major Genl. to say, that the Command from the 7th Infy. must lose no time in reaching Fort St. Philips .-

He also directs me state, that so soon as Capt. Walsh, arrives at New-Orleans, he will proceed forthwith to the same point -

I have the honor to be sir very respectfully
Yr. obt. Servt.
A. P. Hayne
Insp'r. Genl.

Col. Butler
Adjt. Genl.
7. Mily. Dist.

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New Orleans 5th Decr 1814

Insp. Genl. office
7th My District

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I have the honor to be Sir very respectfully yr obt Servt

Col. Robt Butler
Adjt Genl.

A. P. Hayne
Inspr Genl

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Col: Robert Butler
Adjutant Genl.
7th. Mil. District

from Colo. Hayne
5th Dec. 1814

Col: Robert Butler
Adjutant Genl
7th. My District

Gen. Colo. Bayr
7 Decr. 1814

Pensacola 5 Decr. 1814

Major Genl. Jackson,

Sir,

Although I have not the honor of a personal acquaintance with you, yet I hope Sir that the following observations, may not only prove of use to you, but to our common Country.

Yesterday Admiral Cochrane anchored off this port where a fleet of about eighty sail have already collected, of men of war, transports &c &c for the avowed object of attacking New orleans & the adjacent Country belonging to the U.S. The above is only about half of the fleet, the remainder of which are momentarily looked for & as soon as they join, it is understood their opperations will commence.

The point of attack I cannot learn, but from what I gather of the description of vessels (all sorts, sizes &c) I am inclined to think they are well prepared for shoal water & that the Lakes as well as the Mississippi will simultaneously be crowded— The number of the whole fleet is stated at from 150 to 200 sail—

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If the foregoing offers nothing new, it will I trust, serve at least as a corroboration & in either shape, I shall feel that I have performed my duty. —

With very great respect
I have the honour to be, Sir, yrs &c

Wm Smith Richards

W. C. C. Claiborne 5th
Decr. 1814

Major Genl. Andrew Jackson
Commanding U. S. Army,
New Orleans

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Mobille 5th Decr. 1814

Mr. James Innerarity

Sir

I understood you to say that you would dispose of four hundred Spanish acres of your land below Choctaw point, to the Government of the United States, & make a general warranted deed of conveyance when paid for, to be laid off on the South boundary of the tract alluded to, to extend ten acres up the bay of Mobille, forty acres back, and include the house & small improvements near the Bay shore, or, that the United States might have the option to take one hundred acres off the front of said tract or lot on lease during the war, at the rate of five dollars per acre (the same price) but the land with the improvements to revert to you at the end of the war. If this statement is correct you will please to say so, if otherwise you will state your terms —

I am respectfully
Your obedt. Servt.
Signed J. Winchester

A true Copy

W. F. Anderson
Ad. 24 Infy

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Jas Innerarity
5 Decr 1814

from Gen Winchester

Mobile, 5th Dec 1814

Dear Sir

Three large ships and two or three
of smaller size which seem to prefer [illegible]
on friday last standing to the westward; the
enemies ships which hovered about fort
Bowyer on friday saturday [illegible] and
sunday last disappeared this morning.
They may however return & we should
be prepared for them, and I should be
better pleased if we had more of the means
of transportation. Boats are scarce and
those we have out of repair and hitherto
without regulations to keep them
at a point where they are out of use may
be had at any time on a sudden emergency.
My attention is now turned to this subject
with a desire at all times to have at
least boats enough out of ordinary use to transport
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500 troops; to effect this I must have barracks built and the Asst D. Q. Master is nearly without funds for which exists many pressing demands.

The encampment of the 3d regiment of Infantry is too near Captain Files Mill pond, and its position is not consecutive. On exploring this vicinity I have decided on a Cantonment ~~at a place~~ on the bay shore about three miles below this at a place called the cove it has many advantages It is evidently the best landing on this side Mobile bay and where an enemy would land if ever he passes fort Bowyer It has a prospect of good spring water, and at any rate there is a creek as near to it as to this place and chactaw point just above has an extensive view down the bay 400 Spanish acres of land can be had here for two thousand dollars that is ten acres front

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and forty bushels and a General warrantee deed made; or a lease of ten acres in front and ten back for and during the war for 500 dollars the improvements to be given up to the lessor at the expiration of the lease. If the purchase of the 400 acres is prefered there will be timber enough for all the purposes which our Government can want it; If the latter is prefered a great deal of timber must be purchased. You will please to instruct me on this subject.

I left a trunk of bagga[ge] in charge of Gen Cavalle[?] if he has arrived will you cause it to be sent me.

I am most respectfully
Your obedient Servant

J Winchester B Gen
Com Eas. Sec 7th District

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Public Service

Maj. Genl. A. Jackson

Head Quarters 7th Mil Dist

New Orleans

Genl Winchester
5 Decr 1814
No Ans.

Public Service

Maj. Genl. A. Jackson

Head Quarters 7th Mily Dt

New Orleans

Genl Winchester
5 Decr 1814
No Ansr

Mobile the 5th of Decr 1814 –

Capt. Scoby, your note of the 3d instant is ~~——~~ before me, and my orders to you were to cross the cutt off with such men from the Hospital as were fit for duty, go to fort Mongomery & report to Genl. Taylor; you have not done so – Doct. Fear now inform me all at the Hospital are recovering & will probably be fit for duty in ten Days – you are therefore permitted to remain there ten days longer – then proceed with all the men at the Hospital to fort Mongomery & report to Brig. Genl. Taylor or the commanding officer there – If any are still sick they must be removed to the Hospital near fort Mongomery a prompt obedience to this order is expected and will be required. Your obedient Servt

J. Winchester B. Genl.
Commanding E. section 7th district

Capt. Joseph Scoby

Sir, I shall remain at this Hospital untill I can receive orders from you, which I hope to receive as early as possably – I am Sir yr. Obt. Servt

Joseph Scoby Lieut
Commanding

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Carsons Ferry Hospital — Decr. 7th 1814

Dear Sir,

Your orders left for me as commanding at this place directed me to continue at the same untill further orders from you — but this day I have recd. orders from Brigd. Genl. Winchester commanding & directing me to remove all the men left in my charge to Fort Mongomery & then to be reported to Genl. Taylor, to be detached to some corps to perform Duty: but the men under my carge at this time is not in a situation to be removed, two has died & several others we expect to die — But Dear Sir I have remaind nuter, & hope to here from you & directing me the mode which I am to pursue — the men with me wishes to follow your troops or to pursue your commands, which I have none here but the attendants on the sick, & they are pointed against being detached to Genl. Taylor: the rumor thro. the carp is they will desert & join their respective companies before they will submit to Winchesters orders — — I have inclosed you a copy of a letter from B. Genl. Winchester dated Mobile 2d Decm 1814 as follows: Lieut. Scoby you will with all the men recovered & fit for duty cross over the cut off to Fort Mongomery & report yourself & command to Brigd. Genl. Taylor who will attach you to some corps to do duty, if their is any sick at the Hospital they must remain untill fit for duty — none can be discharged by Doctr. Fore except such as are labouring under encurable diseases — I am yr. respectable & obediant Servt

J. Winchester B. G. U. S.

N.B. soon as I recd. the above letter I sent on an expresss to Genl. Winchester informing of him of my situation & the men under my charge at this Hospital which I now send you a coppy as followeth of his answer

~~St. Stephens~~ 6th of December 1814

Dear General

Agreeably to your Directions I herewith in=
close you all the Documents in my possession which
I thought important in the case of the Volunteer Dragoons
No 1 is general Wilkinsons letter to me accompanying
my provisional Commission you will perceive that
the call into Service was to proceed the payment of the
money in lieu of cloathing. well Sir the men were paid
that money as soon as attested & mustered.

No 2 is a copy of my provisional commission you
will observe that he says I am at the time or date of the
commission on Duty in Washington County

No 3 is a copy of a letter from Captain Arbuckle
who then commanded at Mount Vernon Directing
me to parad my men for the purpose of having them
attested and mustered I did not parade them at Mount
Vernon as he requested but went to see him myself
and made the arrangement for them to be mustered
at this place ——— No 4 is a copy of a letter from
General Wilkinson to me you see in the third line he
says "in the Service" of the united states.

No 5. 6. & 8. are a correspondence between General F.
L. Claiborne & myself on the subject. No 7 is a letter
from the Judge before whome the writ of Heabeus
Corpus was tried. No 9 is one of my muster Rolls
signed by Captain Davis assistant Deputy inspec=
tor this I foward to you that you may see that we
have the best of evidence in our ~~case~~ favour I would also
beg leave to state that I have a Roll for every month

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I command the Dragoons which is as full & compleat is the one inclosed except one that is misplaid

No. 10. is Lieutenant Andrews affedavit of the loss of a muster Roll — No. 11 is an extract of letter from the honorable Wm. Lattimore to me on this subject And No. 12 is a copy in substance of a Discharge given by Colo. Bowyer while commanding the volunteers you will pleas to take notice of the certificate of pay due the man who was enlisted on the 30th of November 1812 and Discharged in july 1813

Captain John M. Davis can inform you that General Wilkinson did order him as paymaster to pay the men from the date of their enlistment

I feel confedent Sir that after examining the documents herewith inclosed you will not have doubt remaining in your mind to when the pay will commence and will order the pay master to pay ~~them~~ from the face of the Rolls

I have the honor to be

Sir with the highest Respect

your most Obedient

William Henry

His Excellency

Major General Andrew Jackson

Commanding 7th M. District

Head Quarters N. Orleans

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N. B. Dear Sir You was pleased to tell me when I last saw you that you thought you could give me a situation in the army which if it is in your power it will be thankfully received

William Henry

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Public Service
Wm Henry late
Major 1st Batn
Louisiana
volunteers

His Excellency
Major General Andrew Jackson
commanding 7th M.D.
Head Quarters
New Orleans

Maj. Henry with
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Head Quarters
New Orleans

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[illegible] Nov. 1814
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Dep. of War
Acc. Office
Dec. 6th 1814

Sir

On the adjustment of the Accounts of Barclay McGhee Contractor he has been charged with the following drafts drawn by you on The Secretary of War for provisions stated to have been purchased in consequence of his having failed to supply on the Requisition of Major Genl Pinckney three months provisions at Camp Ross. Viz

one draft dated	Fort Williams 22 April 1814 in favor of Messrs Read Mitchell & Co —	1335: 96
one do	same date favor of Brice Mc Garner & Co	7578: 37
one do	same date favor of Reid Mitchel & Co	3589: 20
one do	dated Huntsville 8 May 1814 favor of James Ditto	609: 82
	making together the sum of Dls	13.113: 35

In order to substantiate the charge in the usual form and which the Contractor has a right to demand of the Government, the original Bills of purchase should be exhibited, and evidence of the delivery of the provisions to the Contractor or his agent, or Abstracts of the issue

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of the provisions on account of their not having been delivered to the Contractor, in order that he may receive a credit for the number of Rations which the provisions constituted - If the provisions were otherwise disposed of that is, if they were put into the hands of other persons who have or will derive the advantage of the issue, it should be made known to this Department in order that the proper charges may be raised against such person and Mr. McGhee credited - It is contended on the part of Mr. McGhee that his provisions at Camp Ross were not sufficient without this purchase and it is also alledged on his part that the advantage of the Issue of the provisions purchased has never come to his account - but that they were delivered to other persons and issued for which Abstracts have been given to them - As it is of importance to the interests of the United States as well as the Contractor that the business be correctly understood, I have taken the liberty to address you on the subject not doubting that you will do me the favor of stating such particulars and furnishing such documents as will tend to effect the object - As early as your pressing and arduous duties will permit I request your attention to the subject and am with great respect

Sir

Your mo. obt. St.

Tobias Lear

Major Genl. A. Jackson

Recd by Genl. Jackson
17. Jan: 1815

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Dept of War
Rec'd & Office
J. Armstrong free

Maj. General Jackson
Mobile
N. Orleans

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Tobias Lear
5 Decr 1814

Tobias Lear A.I.G.

6 Decr. ~~1810~~ 1814

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Dept. of War
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Maj. Genl. A. Jackson

~~Mobile~~

N. Orleans

Recd by Genl. Jackson
17. Jan. 1815

Choctaw Agency Decr 6. 1814

Sir,

My letter of the 30 Ulto with others of anterior date will advise you sufficiently of the situation of the Choctaws — As soon as the waters will permit I will go to Natchez for the annuity — should you as is expected be at Baton Rouge I will be relieved by a letter from you from some anxiety as to your expectations from this quarter. If you do not mean to make an immediate call on the Choctaws, perhaps I could have time to go down for the purpose of a personal interview, which would be most agreeable to me.

I am happy that all the warriors I have yet heard from since their return are well pleased. there will I think be much less difficulty in bringing them out again.

I have the honor to be
with respect & esteem
Your Obedient Servant

John McKee

Major General Jackson
Comm. 7 M.D. District

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Fort Montgomery
Decr. 7th 1814

Sir

I am Sorry to inform you that I still remain here, while Genl. Coffee remained here, it was impossible for me to get one ear of Corn, he got all the Corn that was in the neighbourhood, Conse=quently I had to send a considerable distance up the river for what little I could get, the im=possibility of procuring boats, together with the bad=ness of the weather, rendered it impracticable for the necessary supply to be furnished for me to moove— I shall start in the morning to a certainty— It was obvious to me if I had to wait untill we could be properly furnished with Corn that I should never get off, I hought proper to dismout a part of my

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mounted men making pack horses of their Horses,

as it is impossible to carry Waggons on owing to the

roades being so extreamly bad— by which means I get

off altho I am not so well furnished as I would

wish ~~to be~~ the contractors have disappointed me not

having as much beef as I would wish to drive on

we will start with 20 days rations of flour by

the time that is gone I am in hopes we shall

be in a country where we can get beef a plenty

Very Respectfully your,

Obt. Hml. Servt.

W. Blair Majr.

Comd. Dett.

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Publick Service
U.S. Blue Majr 39th
Infantry

Majr Genl. A. Jackson Comdg
7th. Mily. District
New Orleans

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Publick Service
U. K Blue Maj 39th
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Majr Genl. A Jackson Comdg
7th. Mil'y District
New Orleans

Majr Blue 7 Novr
1814 no ansr

War Dept.
Decr. 7 1814

Sir

I had the honor to receive your letters of the 23d & 31st of October, two days since.

I hope that my letter to you of the 21st of October, had reached you in time to prevent the attack, which you then contemplated making, on the british at Pensacola. Altho' the conduct of the Spanish authorities there, may justify the measure, the President desires that it may be avoided, in the hope that the new efforts, which he is now making, to obtain justice & preserve amity with Spain, may be successful. Should you have made the proposed attack, you will, on the receipt of this letter withdraw your troops from the Spanish Territory, declaring that you had entered it, for the sole purpose of freeing it, from british violation.

General Gaines is ordered to join and act under you, in the defence of New-Orleans & of the district under your command. Full confidence is entertained, that the appointment of an officer of his merit, will afford to you a very acceptable aid, in the discharge of your highly important duties.

Recent intelligence, tends to

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confirm the opinion before entertained, that the enemy have already, or soon will, make an attack on New Orleans. A strong force from Europe, connected with that which lately infested this bay, and the troops released from Gaudaloupe & Martanique, were said to be making preparation to assail you. I need not assure you, that entire confidence is felt that you, & the troops under you, will do your duty.

Much anxiety is felt, lest you should remain too long, on the Mobile, or at other points, East of New Orleans. The city, it is presumed, is a principal object of the enemy, and it cannot be defended on two of the passes by which it may be approached, one by the river Mississippi itself, the other by La Fourche, if indeed it can be by the third by Lake Ponchartrain, without occupying the ground bearing on those passes.

+ The indian goods, will have reached you I presume, before you receive this letter. You shall want for nothing, necessary for your comfort, and for that of your fellow Citizens acting under you, which the country can supply.

I am Sir, with great respect
your obedient Servant
Jas Monroe

Major General Jackson

7. The goods for the Indians never reached Tennessee untill the month of May or June 1815— after peace was declared—

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[illegible] for the [illegible] have been [illegible]
[illegible] on the 28th day of Jany
1815 — [illegible] —

War Department

December 7th 1814.

Sir,

I had the honour to receive your letters of the 21d and 31st of October, two days past.

I hope that my letter to you of the 21st of October had reached you in time to prevent the attack which you then contemplated making on the British at Pensacola. As the conduct of the Spanish authorities there, may justify the measure, the President desires that it may be avoided, in the hope that the new efforts which he is now making to obtain justice and preserve amity with that power, may be successful. Should you have made the proposed attack, you will on the receipt of this letter withdraw your troops from the Spanish Territory, declaring that you had entered it for the sole purpose of freeing it from British violation.

General Gaines is ordered to join, and act under you in the defence of New Orleans, and of the District under

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your command. Full confidence is entertained that this appointment of an Officer of his merit, will afford to you a very acceptable aid in the discharge of your highly important duties.

Recent intelligence tends to confirm the opinion before entertained, that the Enemy have already, or will soon make an attack on New Orleans. A strong force from Europe, connected with that which lately infested this Bay, and the troops released from Guadaloupe and Martinique were said to be making preparations to assail you. I need not assure you of the entire confidence which exists, that you and the troops under you, will all do ~~their~~ your duty.

Much anxiety is felt lest you should remain too long in the Mobile, or at other points East of New Orleans. The City it is presumed is a principal object of the Enemy, and it cannot be defended on either of the passes by which it may be approached, one by the River Mississippi itself ~~another~~ by La Fourche, the third by Lake Pontchartrain without occupying the ground bearing on those passes.

The Indian goods will have reached you, I presume before you receive this letter. You shall want for nothing necessary to your comfort, and to that of our fellow citizens acting under you, which your country can supply.

I have the honour to

(Signed) James Monroe

Mr Monroe
to
Genl Jackson
Dec 1814

Major Genl
Jackson

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The Secretary of War

to

General Jackson

7 Dec 1814

War Dept.
To [illegible] Genl. Jackson [illegible] December 7. 1814

Sir,

I have the honor to receive your letters of the [illegible]

My letter to you of the 21 October which was intended to prevent the attack which you then contemplated making on the British at Pensacola, although the conduct of the Spanish authorities there may justify the measure, the President desiring that it may be avoided, in the hope that the new efforts which he is now making to [illegible] preserve amity with that power, may [illegible] you have made the proposed attack, [illegible] from the [illegible] Spanish territory [illegible] British violation [illegible]

General Gaines is ordered to join & act under you, in the defence of New Orleans & of the district under your command, [illegible] full confidence [illegible] that the appointment of an officer of his [illegible] will be acceptable and aid you in the discharge of your highly important duties.

Recent intelligence tends to confirm the opinion before entertained that the enemy

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[illegible] will soon make an attack on
New Orleans. A strong force from Europe, Combined
with that which lately visited the Bay, and the troops
withdrawn from Guadaloupe, and Martinique, were said
to be embarking [illegible] to assist you. I [illegible] not
assure you of the entire Confidence which is felt that you
and the troops under you will all do your duty.

Much anxiety is felt lest you should remain too
long on the Mobile, or at some other point East of
New Orleans. That City it is presumed is a principal
object of the Enemy and it Cannot be defended [illegible]
[illegible] great passes by which it may be approached, one
by the river Mississippi itself, the other by La fourche, if
[illegible] by Lake Pontchartrain [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] bearing on these points.

The [illegible] you [illegible] I
presume, before you receive this letter. You shall
want for nothing necessary to your Comfort, and to
that of the gallant [illegible] under you, which
your Country Can supply.

I am very respectfully
&c. &c.
J. Mon[illegible]

James Monroe

7th Decr 1815

N.B. These goods were [illegible] [illegible] until
[illegible] in June 1815 after the peace—

Genl. Jackson

7th Decr 1815.—

James Monroe Secy State
4th Dec. 1816.

Genl. Jackson
Dec. 1816. —

James Monroe
7 Dec. 1816

T. Jackson

James Monroe
7 Decr. 7. 1818

Genl. Jackson
7 Dec. 1818. —

Duplicate

James Monroe Sec. War
7th Dec. 1818
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War Department
Dec. 7. 1814.

Sir

I had the honor to receive your letters of the 23.d & 31. of October, two days past.

I hope that my letter to you of the 21. of October had reached you in time to prevent the attack which you then contemplated making on the British at Pensacola. altho the conduct of the Spanish authorities there, may justify the measure, the President desires that it may be avoided, in the hope that the new effort, which he is now making, to obtain justice and preserve amity with that power, may be successful. Should you have made the proposed attack, you will on the receipt of this letter withdraw your troops from the Spanish territory, declaring that you had entered it, for the sole purpose of freeing it, from British violation.

General Gaines is ordered to join and act under you, in the defence of New Orleans and of the District under your Command. Full confidence is entertained that the appointment of an Officer of his merit will afford to you a very acceptable aid in the discharge of your highly important duties.

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Recent intelligence tends to confirm the opinion before entertained that the enemy have already, or will soon, make an attack upon New Orleans. A strong force from Europe, connected with that which lately infested this bay, and the troops released from Guadaloupe and Martinique, were said to be making preparation to assail you. I need not assure you of the entire confidence which exists, that you & the troops under you, will all do your duty. —

Much anxiety is felt lest you should remain too long, on the Mobile, or at other points East of New Orleans. The City it is presumed is a principal object of the enemy, and it cannot be defended, on two of the passes by which it may be approached — one by the river Mississippi itself, if indeed it can by the other, by La Fourche — the third by lake Pontchartrain without occupying the ground bearing on those passes. —

* The Indian goods will have reached you, I presume, before you receive this letter. You shall want for nothing necessary to your comfort, and to that of our fellow Citizens acting under you, which your Country can supply. —

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I have the honor to be
Respectfully,
Sir,
Yr. Ob. Servant,

(Signed) Jas. Monroe

*: The Indian goods never reached Tennessee before May or June 1815, after the signer triplicates of this letter was forwarded— they must have been written believing for the want of arms &c &c & supplies the country was lost, to throw the blame of the shoulders of the government on that of the com. of Genl— supposed to be lost with it— the acts. and stated that the enemy would reach Mobile & N. orleans on N. ... further—

Genl. Jackson

War Department 58
December 7th. 1814

Sir.

I had the honor to receive your letters of the 23d. & 31st. of October, two days past.

I hope that my letter to you of the 21st. of October had reached you in time to prevent the attack which you then contemplated making on the British at Pensacola.

Altho' the conduct of the Spanish authorities there may justify the measure; the President desires that it may be avoided, in the hope that the ~~new~~ efforts, which he is now making to obtain justice and preserve amity with that power, may be successful.

Should you have made the proposed attack, you will on the receipt of this letter, withdraw your troops from the Spanish territory, declaring that you had entered it, for the sole purpose of freeing it from British violation.

Genl. Gains is ordered to join and act under you in the defence of New Orleans and of the district under your command. Full confidence is entertained that the appointment of an Officer of his merit, will afford to you a very acceptable aid in the discharge of your highly important duties.

Recent intelligence tends to confirm the opinion before entertained that the Enemy have already, or will soon, make an attack on New-Orleans. A strong force from Europe, connected with that which lately infested this bay, and the troops released from Gaudaloupe, and Martinique, were said to be making preparations to assail you.

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I need not assure you of the entire confidence which exists that you and the troops under you, will all do your duty.

Much anxiety is felt lest you should remain too long, on the Mobile, or at other points east of New Orleans. the City it is presumed is a principal object of the Enemy, and it, cannot be defended on either of the passes by which it may be approached, one by the river Mississippi itself, another by La Fourche, the third by Lake Pontchartrain without occupying the ground bearing on those passes.

† The Indian goods will have reached you, I presume, before you ~~will have~~ receive this letter.

You shall want for nothing necessary to your comfort and to that of our fellow Citizens acting under you, which your country can supply.

With great respect
I remain Sir
Your most obt. Servt.
Jas Monroe

Major Genl
Andrew Jackson

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*: These goods never arrived even in Tennessee
untill May or June 1815 –
note when this was wrote the govrt. knowing
my want of arms & the cannon I had required
in Septr. 14. supposed the country lost – & this
must have been written to throw the responsi
=bility on the shoulders of the comdg genl. believe
=ing he was lost with the country – if one had
been lost the other would also; –

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not assure you of the entire confidence which
that you and the troops under you will all do your duty

Much anxiety is felt lest you should remain too long on the Mobile, or at other points east of New Orleans. The City it is presumed is a principal object of the Enemy, and it cannot be defended on either of the passes by which it may be approached, one by the river Mississippi itself, another by La Fourche, the third by Lake Ponchartrain without occupying the ground on those passes.

The Indian goods will have reached before you will have receive the letter

You shall want for nothing necessary to your and to that of the fellow citizens acting under you

Jas. Monroe Secty War
7 Decr. 1814

War Dept.
Decem. 7th 1814

Sir

Presuming that your state of health would per-
-mit it, I requested you in my letter of yesterday to set
out without a moments delay, to render new & important
services to your Country, & to gain new laurels at another
point, which was menaced with immediate & formida-
-ble invasion. As New Orleans is the object of the enemy,
it seems advisable, & I mention it with the greater
satisfaction, because I have understood that it would be
more convenient & agreeable to you, that you should
take the route of the Ohio & Mississippi, as you would
thereby have it more in your power to collect the force
proceeding to the defence of that City, from Kentucky
& Tennessee, & dispose of it to the best advantage.
There are three passes by which New Orleans may be ap-
-proached by the Enemy, one by the Mississippi, another by
Lake Ponchartrain & the third by la Fourche. It is believed
that a small force, well composed, directed & commanded
will be able to repell them on either pass. General
Jackson, was at the date of his last letter at the Mo-
-bile, & disposed to attack Pensacola, where a British
force was collected. He will I hope have received
a letter from me of the 21st of October in time to have
prevented that measure, which, however unjustifiable
the conduct of the Spanish authorities may have been,
it is desirable to avoid in the present state of affairs
with Spain.—

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To afford protection to New Orleans, by either of the routes above mentioned, a position on the Mobile is too far to the East. It appears proper that you should direct the force descending from Kentucky & Tennessee, in the first instance, to Baton-rouge; at which point you will hold the vantage ground, and from which you may move with vast rapidity to any other point at which the Enemy may present himself.

As soon as you get within reach of General Jackson, you will communicate with him & follow his instructions, apprising him of the order hereby given you, to lead the troops now on their way to join him, to Baton-rouge, in the first instance.

I am very respectfully
Sir
your obt Servant
(Signed) — Jas Monroe

Major General Gaines